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MOTOR TRAFFIC PROBLEM.

European Tooting Horn Unnecessarily.

CONFUSED LORRY DRIVER.

A Chinese youth named Li Chung-to today pleaded "guilty" before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at "traffic time," to a summons charging that he did not have full control of his light Raleigh motor-cycle combination whilst driving in Morrison Gap Road on July 23.

Traffic Inspector Alexander stated that the combination was a very light one, of only 2 1/2 horse power, and there were five persons on it!

Defendant was fined \$10.

Summoned by A.S.P.'s Wife.

Mr. C. Michel, of the Peninsula Hotel, was summoned by Mrs. W. R. Scott, wife of the Assistant Superintendent of Police, for sounding his motor-cycle horn unnecessarily in Caine Road at 5.15 p.m. on July 23.

Defendant pleaded "guilty" but explained that he was cycling with a friend who was in front. When passing the Police Married Quarters he had occasion to stop, and sounded his horn in order to call his pal's attention.

Mr. Lindsell discharged defendant with a caution.

No Spare Wheel.

The Chinese driver of a garage car was summoned for being on the road without a spare wheel. He admitted the charge.

Mr. Lindsell: You should not go without one. You might need it.

Defendant said that when he left the garage he had a spare wheel. On the way one of the other tyres went flat and he put the spare wheel on. The wheel with the flat tyre he left in a repair shop and then went on to the public car stand. He had no intention of plying for hire until the flat tyre had been patched.

Mr. Lindsell: Anyway, your business was to go back to the garage and wait there until the flat tyre was ready. Fined \$5.

In Broadwood Road.

Mr. G. H. Fowler, who admitted a charge of driving in Broadwood Road without a special permit, was fined \$5.

A fine of \$25 was imposed on the driver of a public car for dangerous driving in Murray Road at 8.10 p.m. on July 27.

Traffic Inspector Alexander said that defendant drove down Murray Road at 25 miles per hour and went past the Cricket Club junction without slowing down. Had anything come out of Jackson Road at that moment, it would have been impossible to avoid a crash.

Defendant argued that he could not have done more than 20 miles per hour, adding: "I know for certain that my car could not do more than 30 miles!"

"A Rotten Car."

Mr. Lindsell: It must be a rotten car, then! Anyway, 20 miles is also too fast. Do you realise that that is a blind road and you can't see what is coming either way? It is very dangerous.

Mr. H. E. Strange was a witness in the next case, in which an Indian pointsman in charge of the traffic lights at the junction of Arsenal Street and Queen's Road East, summoned a lorry driver for disobeying traffic signal when proceeding up Arsenal Street toward Queen's Road, at 1.20 p.m. on July 23.

The constable's statement was that he had given the red light against defendant to give the right of way to Mr. Strange's motor-cycle which was proceeding eastward along Queen's Road. In spite of the fact that the red light was against him, defendant came on and entered Queen's Road before he pulled up sharply on seeing Mr. Strange.

Defendant said that at first he had the green light. Then it was suddenly changed to red, and he immediately stopped. He admitted that then he had already got out of Arsenal Street.

Mr. Lindsell inquired how far defendant was from the junction when he first saw the red light, and defendant said it was about 30 yards.

Magistrate: You could have

U.S. TO BUILD LESS SUBMARINES?

Smaller Vessels Needed to Guard the Coastline.

BEST USE OF 52,700 TONS.

Washington, Yesterday.

A change is foreshadowed in the United States submarine building policy. The Navy Board is considering the best use of the 52,700 tons of submarines allotted under the London Naval Treaty.

According to officials the Navy Department Board may advocate abandoning the building of fleet vessels of 2,000 and 3,000 tons, capable of a double journey across the Atlantic without refuelling, and building instead smaller vessels to guard the coast line.—Reuter's American Service.

TAKES BEATING WELL!

A Chinese boy who on Saturday refused to go to the Police Street Boys' Club, and instead got 10 strokes of the cane for "hawking without a licence, appeared again before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a similar charge. He pleaded guilty.

The Magistrate asked the boy if he would like to enter the St. Louis Industrial Home for Boys where he would be taught a trade.

The lad replied that he had already taken up an apprenticeship in a carpenter's shop. He promised never to hawk again.

"Well I will give you a chance," said his Worship, who added: "He takes a beating very well, this boy." A caution was administered.

OPIUM SMUGGLING.

Two Chinese who were arrested on the Canton wharf soon after the arrival of the s.s. Taishan last night, were today charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with the unlawful possession of non-Government raw opium.

One man, who had 22 taels, pleaded that the stuff was entrusted to him by a friend in Canton to bring here. He did not know that he was carrying contraband.

As the man was well dressed, his Worship remarked that he was not an ordinary carrier, but looked like a smuggler. He was fined \$600 or four months' hard labour.

The other man who had 42 taels of the drug, gave a similar excuse, and he was fined \$1,000 or six months in jail.

pulling up within that space before reaching the junction.

Defendant: I did!

His Worship: Oh! How far from it?—30 feet.

Why must you take 20 yards to pull up in?

Yards or Miles?

Then defendant got hopelessly mixed up in his estimation of the distance from the junction when he first saw the red light. He tried to explain the situation again, stating first that he was 30 yards away, and then 30 miles!

Mr. Lindsell: What nonsense are you talking about? You saw that light 30 miles away!

Defendant then fixed it at 30 feet, and went back to his original statement that by the time he pulled up he had got out of Arsenal Street.

Collision Inevitable.

Mr. Strange gave it as his opinion that defendant must have been talking with the man beside him and did not look at the light until "he was actually" out of Arsenal Street.

As defendant's record was clear of such serious offences, he having been fined previously for minor offences only, Mr. Lindsell decided to impose a fine of \$10, and told defendant that he was lucky to get off so lightly.

EIGHT STOWAWAYS.

FROM SANDAKAN AND SINGAPORE.

NO WORK OR MONEY.

Three Chinese men were charged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning before Mr. Whyte-Smith with having arrived in the Colony as stowaways on the J.C.J.L. steamer Tjiliwong from Sandakan. All pleaded guilty, and stated that they had no work and no money.

Sergeant Clarke, of the Water Police, stated that they were caught one day out from Sandakan, when the second officer of the vessel was collecting tickets. These men tried to evade his notice.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$50 or one month's jail on each.

In a second case, five Chinese men pleaded guilty to a charge of having stowed away from Singapore to this port on the Dutch steamer Cremer. Detective-Sergeant Humphreys intimated that the circumstances were similar to those in the first case.

Defendants pleaded that they were anxious to get back to the country.

His Worship imposed the maximum penalty of \$50 or one month's hard labour on each.

DUCHESS OF YORK.

CELEBRATES HER 30TH BIRTHDAY.

AT GLAMIS CASTLE.

London, Yesterday.

The Duchess of York celebrated her 30th birthday today. The day will be spent quietly at Glamis Castle, where Sir Henry Simson, arrived yesterday. Sir Henry Simson, who is Honorary Consulting Surgeon to the Hospital for Women, Soho Square, and for the West London Hospital, was one of the consultants present at the birth of Princess Elizabeth.

The Home Secretary, Mr. Clynnes, has received an intimation to be present at the Castle to-morrow.—Reuter.

AUGUST 4.

AN APPEAL FOR WAR HEROES.

"TORTURES OF HELL."

London, Yesterday.

To-day is the 16th anniversary of the entry of Great Britain into the Great War. Sir Frederick Milner, the President of the Ex-Services Welfare Society, has availed himself of the occasion to make an appeal for contributions to the Society, which helps the mentally disabled, and neuroathetics among ex-servicemen.

Sir Frederick points out that "in our midst there are approximately 100,000 sailors and soldiers suffering the tortures of hell as a result of war service."—Reuter.

ALLOTMENT RETURN.

COMPANY'S APPLICATION GRANTED.

An application was made before the Chief Justice this morning for an extension of time to file a return of allotment of shares in the Asia Coal and Briquetting Company.

Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, jun., who appeared on behalf of applicants, produced a sworn affidavit from the secretary of the Company, of which, inter alia, it was stated that 200 fully paid ordinary shares in the Company had been allotted to Loy Chang of 103, Yu Yuen Road, Shanghai, for consideration, in April, 1930. It was later discovered that through pure inadvertence the time for the return of allotments had been extended.

His Lordship granted the application the time for extension being fixed to run up to and including August 8.

INTERPRETER MISSING.

A Chinese interpreter of the Police Department, named Lam Ip-chung, who was recently attached to the Pingshan Police Station, has been missing since July 24. At 11 o'clock on that day he left the station to go to the On Long market to make some purchases, and has not been seen since.

CHOPPER AGAIN.

CONSTABLE STRUGGLES WITH THIEF.

A VIOLENT PUSH.

A struggle between a policeman and a thief at Shamshui-po was described at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when, before Mr. Whyte-Smith, a Chinese was charged with the larceny of a red blanket and with assaulting a Chinese police constable.

Accused pleaded that he saw the blanket in the street, so, as there was nobody to claim it, he picked it up. He added that he always carried a chopper on him because he needed it for the purpose of cutting herbs on the hillside. He did not assault the policeman.

Constable's Story.

The constable said that at about 3.40 a.m. yesterday he was on duty with another constable in Yen Chow Street. They both wore plain clothes. He said that he saw accused emerge from a scavenging lane at the back of Tai Nam Street, and walk into the street in which they were. From there, accused turned into Tai Nam Street and walked along the pavement. It was dark and witness lost sight of him. In a minute's time he saw

FAIR AGAIN.

The Royal Observatory's weather report, to-day states: The depression, central over Tongking, is not so deep. There is a typhoon to the north of Guam.

There may be a typhoon to the east of Luzon, but its position is uncertain.

Forecast:—S.E. winds, moderate; fair.

The American Consulate General has received the Telegram quoted below from the Manila Observatory:

To-day 11 a.m.—Typhoon in about 129 degrees Long E. and 18 degrees Lat N; moving W.N.W.

Typhoon in about 144 degrees Long E. and 15 degrees Lat N; direction unknown.

Long. of Hong Kong—114° 10' 27" Lat. of Hong Kong—22° 18' 13" Rainfall

Rainfall to 10 a.m. to-day 0.63 inch. Rainfall since January 1, 62.39 inches against an average of 54 inches.

Temperature and Humidity The temperature and humidity at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock were:—

	Temp.	Humid.
Hong Kong	78	94
Macao	79	92
Pratas Island	80	87
Manila	75	96
Poochow	80	87
Amoy	80	87
Swatow	79	96
Chefoo	75	95
Shanghai	77	94

him go back to Yen Chow Street carrying a blanket. He walked into the scavenging lane. Witness then told his colleague to follow the man while he went to the other end to cut him off.

Order To Halt.

As witness got to his place the accused was about a yard away. The former flashed his electric torch and shouted: "Stop still. I am a policeman." Witness then saw the thief put his hand to his back in order to get something, and before he had time to prevent him, accused brought out a chopper and struck at him. He stopped the blow by catching hold of the thief's arm. Witness was then given a violent push to the ground. He called to his colleague who came up and seized the chopper from accused's hand. After a struggle the man was taken to the station.

"He Wouldn't Be There."

Accused said that he felt to the ground and that it was when the policeman left him that they came across the chopper. His father died at the beginning of this year, and he tried to find work but could not. He was engaged as an earth

A BIG FIGHT.

BAMBOO POLES FREELY USED.

MASTER AND SEAMAN.

Two Chinese, one a master and the other a seaman on a cargo junk, were today charged before Mr. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy with assaulting the master of the fishing junk, who appeared in Court with a bandage above his left eye. First defendant admitted having a fight, while the second defendant said that he merely acted as a "peacemaker."

Sub-Inspector A. H. Elston stated that the Police at Kowloon City were called out to what at first seemed to be a big fight on the foreshore at Ma Tau Kok. It appeared that both complainant and defendant were landing pigs, and that the former's craft, owing to low tide, got stuck in the mud, and so was in the way of defendant's junk. A fight ensued in which bamboo poles were used, and a large number of persons participated. Complainant was struck on the head, and had to be sent to hospital. The Police asked for compensation to be made to the injured man, but the fight was not serious.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$5 on each defendant, and ordered them each to pay \$3 as compensation to complainant.

FLOOD PERIL.

TWO HUNDRED MILES SUBMERGED.

LOOTING AND LAWLESSNESS.

Karachi, Yesterday.

The flood peril in the Upper Sind district is unabated. Two hundred square miles are submerged. The perennial barrage canal has been breached, the water rushing towards Aurangabad.

The railway between Habibkot and Ruk is momentarily expected to be washed away; and communication with Quetta is impossible for a month.

Several cases of looting and lawlessness in the flooded areas are reported.

A number of casualties resulted from a Hindu-Muslim fracas at Sukkur, when axes and knives were freely used.—Reuter.

'QUAKE IN ITALY.

TERRIFIED INHABITANTS REASSURED.

Rome, Yesterday.

A slight earthquake shock was felt at Melfi and Rionero yesterday, causing a general panic for many hours before the terrified inhabitants were reassured and order was restored.—Reuter.

[Melfi had a fine Norman cathedral which was destroyed by an earthquake on August 14, 1821, when more than 1,000 persons perished. Rionero was almost destroyed by an earthquake in 1851.]

MERCHANT SUED.

FAILS TO APPEAR IN COURT.

Mr. Justice Wood, in the Summary Court this morning, gave judgment against Mr. Augustin Leong Hing-kee, in an action brought by the Dragon Motor Car Company of 33, Wong Nei Chung Road, for the recovery of \$904.32, plus costs. The amount was for work done, materials supplied, and storage of motor car.

Mr. F. X. d'Almada, jun., appeared for plaintiff, and proof of claim was heard.

Defendant did not appear.

cools but did not stay long, so he became a herb collector.

Lam Fun, a coolie, living at 3, Tai Nam Street, spoke to the ownership of the blanket in question, and said that it was probably stolen from him while sleeping on the pavement.

His Worship convicted on both charges.

Detective-Sergeant Meadows intimated that there was nothing known of the man.

Accused: "I have only been down here for about 20 days."

His Worship:—Yes. It seems to me that you have come for no good purpose. On the larceny charge, one month's hard labour and for assaulting the policeman, two months' hard labour—consecutively.

CHEERING CROWDS GREET "AMY."

"One of Most Memorable Achievements of 1930."

ESCORT OF SEVEN PLANES.

London, Yesterday.

Miss Amy Johnson arrived at Croydon to-day by air and was escorted by seven planes. She was enthusiastically greeted on landing by a huge assemblage, and was officially welcomed by the Air Minister, the Rt. Hon. Lord Thomson, and Miss Bondfield, Minister of Labour.

Dense throngs inside and outside Croydon aerodrome awaited patiently the Indian air mail plane City of Glasgow, in which Miss Amy Johnson was travelling, having left Vienna at seven in the morning.

Darkness was drawing on when, shortly after nine, the machine, with escorting planes circled over the aerodrome to the accompaniment of deafening cheers. Immediately the machine had come to a standstill, Amy stepped out and affectionately flung her arms around her mother and sisters.

Woman's Year.

In welcoming her on behalf of the British Government, Lord Thomson described the flight as one of the most memorable achievements of 1930, which was a "young woman's year." He said that Amy's pluck and tenacity of purpose had won the hearts of the British people. A tribute was also paid by Lord Wakefield, who stressed the value of the flight to Empire aviation.

Too Much Publicity.

Replying, Miss Amy Johnson said that the faith of a few staunch friends carried her through all difficulties. She wanted to show by her flying how she loved England, how glad she was to be a member of a wonderful Empire. She was sick at the sight of her name and photograph in the newspapers, and declared "cannot we drop 'Miss Johnson' and start from to-day with the name 'Johnnie' by which I am known at the London Aero-plane Club, where I learnt to fly."

Dense Crowds.

At the conclusion of the speeches "Johnnie" drove in a procession of motor cars around the aerodrome, then started on a triumphant drive to Grosvenor House Hotel, Park Lane, where a reception was held in her honour. The route was thronged with dense crowds who waited for hours to welcome her. They set up a tremendous roar of cheering as the car approached. Special police were called in to cope with the crowd outside the Hotel, most of whom were women.—Reuter.

A "JOHNNIE" TREE.

Amy Johnson as Planter in Ceylon.

According to the papers to hand from Ceylon Miss Amy Johnson had a wonderful welcome in Colombo on July 16, when she passed through that port on her way home from Australia on board the P. and O. Naldra.

She was welcomed by the Mayor of Colombo (Mr. H. E. Newnham) and by quite a collection of senior officials including the Assistant Principal Collector of Customs and the Deputy Inspector General of Police. Wherever she went she was met by cheering crowds, and seemed thoroughly to enjoy the visit.

At Sir Solomon Dias Bandaranaike's estate, Veyangoda, Miss Johnson followed the example of a number of notable visitors to Ceylon by planting a tree on the estate which will be known in future as the "Johnnie Tree."

The planting was carried out with some ceremony, Miss Johnson standing on a carpet placed there for the purpose, and scooping the earth around the tree with a trowel.

She later visited the Wesleyan Methodist School at Colpetty and subsequently attended a The Dan-sant at the Mount Lavinia Grand Hotel, where all Colombo seemed

RIOTS IN UNITED PROVINCES.

Moslems Outraged by Hindu Procession.

POLICE FIRE ON CROWDS.

Nainital, Yesterday.

A communal disturbance broke out at Ballia, United Provinces, to-day, owing to a Hindu procession of 15,000 persons insisting on passing the Mosque in defiance of the authorities' prohibition. A crowd of angry Moslems assembled, determined to oppose the procession. The police fired on the mob and five persons were killed and 16 wounded. The situation was later controlled.—Reuter.

Civil Resistance.

Bombay, Yesterday.

The Congress Working Committee, which sat in secret last week to consider the intensification of the civil resistance campaign, has published its resolutions, directing Congress organisations to boycott foreign cloth, British goods, and Government loans, and also to boycott the legislatures, Government officials, and ordering the withdrawal of deposits from the Post Office savings banks, and the withdrawal of support of British insurance, banking, and shipping concerns. The Committee also reaffirmed the resolution passed at Allahabad on June 7 recommending that Indians employed in the police and military forces refuse to obey orders when dealing with the civil disobedience movement.—Reuter.

DANGEROUS PRACTICE.

A fine of \$5 was imposed by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on each of two Chinese lads, who pleaded guilty to a charge of removing sand from Gascoigne Road without a permit from the Hon. D.P.W.

Mr. A. C. Burford, of the P.W.D., intimated that the sand was removed from an embankment opposite the Diocesan Girls' School, in Gascoigne Road. The practice had to be stopped as it might cause considerable damage.

to have gathered to catch a glimpse of her.

An Interview.

In the course of an interview with a Times of Ceylon representative Miss Johnson was asked whether she was not finding this part of the adventure (the sea voyage back to England) about the dull.

"Oh no," she replied and at once showed the truly feminine side of her character. "It's just wonderful and doesn't seem at all slow."

The Naldra had a rough passage out of Fremantle but Amy did not mind. "I just went to bed," she said, her laugh breaking out again, "and when I awoke—well, it was just calm, which was very kind of the weather."

"Where's Jason? Oh, I'm taking him back with me. He's up above."

"Why did you call your machine Jason?"

"Just because I like the name. Jason was my father's trade mark in business, and besides," she added, looking serious for a moment and raising her eyebrows in interrogation, "what better name could there be? Jason has always been my favourite name in mythological history."

"Have you recovered from your enthusiastic reception in Australia?" she was asked.

"I have not," Amy replied emphatically. "But they were really awfully good to me. The worst part of the functions out there was the shaking hands. One would be brought into a room with

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Authorized Capital (H.K. Currency): \$1,000,000
Paid-up Capital: \$500,000
Reserve Funds: \$500,000

THE CHINESE BANKING CORPORATION.

Authorized Capital: \$5,000,000
Paid-up Capital: \$2,000,000
Reserve Funds: \$3,000,000
Surplus: \$2,000,000



Commerce and Finance.

COTTON TRADE.

A FALSE IMPRESSION.

Owing to the present condition of the Singapore market most of the European importers and Chinese dealers have a false impression of the ability of Lancashire to meet Japanese competition. The following extracts from a letter to a representative of a Lancashire piece goods firm from Mr. Bernard Ellinger, C.B.E., a Director of Messrs. Ellinger and Co., Ltd., Manchester, and an expert on this question may help to correct this impression:

"The Japanese industry is concentrated in a way entirely different from ours; their labour is recruited from the countryside and housed by the mill. They have no unemployment relief and consider stopping work only as a last resort. For if they stop their labour returns to the countryside and gets married. Then the mill has to face heavy expenses for recruiting and training new operatives."

"The majority of mill operatives are of course females, and in Japan the work is welcome by women as a means of earning a marriage dowry."

Further, in their production costs, the share to be allotted to wages is much lower than ours and the share to be allotted to overhead charges is much higher. In Britain, a manufacturer closes his mill when he cannot sell his cloth for the cost of the material plus the wages, plus a small part of what he allows for overhead. The same applies in Japan, but it must be remembered that the proportion of wages to overhead in Britain is 7 to 3, whereas in Japan it is probably 5 to 5. This means that if a lump of cloth of 120 yards costs 10s. to weave, when the manufacturer cannot get more than 7 shillings for weaving it he stops and loses 4s. 6d. per loom per week (basis of production 1½ miles in a 48 hour week). The Japanese manufacturer finds it more profitable to go on working if he is receiving only 7 shillings a loom for 10 shillings worth of work, and when his remuneration falls to 6s. a loom he has then to consider whether it is not better to go on receiving less than his labour costs rather than stop work and lose his labour.

"So it is easily understood that the Japanese to-day are looking wildly for any cloth that will fill their looms, use up the surplus of yarn they are spinning and give work to their finishers. Someone says in Osaka 'There's a market for Woven Sarongs in the Straits.' Immediately some mill owner starts turning out Woven Sarongs. It will give him enough money to pay his operatives if he is lucky, but he must go on as he is afraid to let the labour go. He is driven to this because the price of White Shirtings in China barely covers the cost of his Grey Cloth, and Black Satin Drills are selling for 3 sen a yard over the cost of the yarn."

If they are not going to stop work they will be forced to try their hands on almost every cloth a loom will make; but our customers must realise that sales of these cloths 20 per cent. below Lancashire's price do not mean that we cannot compete with the Japanese.

There can be no doubt that the Japanese are suffering heavy losses. One of the largest Print Works in Japan has closed its doors, and the largest Aniline Black Works in the country has gone into bankruptcy. Another leading firm has declared a loss of Yen 3,800,000 for the last half year, and the Japanese importer of the best known White Shirting quality in China has closed down and is bankrupt.

"New York reports selling of cotton by the Japanese interests there. This may be the sign of serious curtailment in Japan, which should relieve the position in your markets."

INDUSTRIES FAIR.

The Department of Overseas Trade announces that the British Industries Fair, 1931, will open as usual in London and Birmingham on Monday, February 27, and will close on Friday, February 27.

A letter to manufacturers, Sir Edward Crowe, the Comptroller-General, Department of Overseas Trade, writes:

"The London section of the Fair, which, as you are no doubt aware, is organised by this Department, will again be held at Olympia, where all the buildings, including the whole of the Empire Hall, will be available for the first time. His Majesty's Government have again made provision of £25,000 for the Fair."

GOVT. GRANT OF £25,000 FOR ADVERTISING.

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HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

July 25, June, June,										July 25, June, June,									
Butcher Meat.										Poultry.									
		1930.		1918.		1914.						1930.		1918.		1914.			
		Cts.		Cts.		Cts.						Cts.		Cts.		Cts.			
Beef	Sirloin	牛	尾	肥	lb.	30	24	12	Chicken	雞	lb.	55	30	31					
	Prime Cut	牛	尾	肥	lb.	30	28	11	Capon, Small	雞	lb.	54	28	30					
	Corned	牛	尾	肥	lb.	23	12		Capon, Large	雞	lb.	58	28	30					
	Roast	牛	尾	肥	lb.	30	24	22	Duck	鴨	lb.	32	22	21					
	Breast	牛	尾	肥	lb.	28	20	18	Doves	鳩	each	20	22	21					
	Soup	牛	尾	肥	lb.	25	20	18	Eggs, Hen (cooking)	蛋	per doz.	33	18	—					
	Steak	牛	尾	肥	lb.	30	24	22	Eggs, Hen (fresh)	蛋	per doz.	38	25	20					
	Steak Sirloin	牛	尾	肥	lb.	44	30	35	Fowls, Canton	雞	lb.	58	36	24					
	Sausages	牛	尾	肥	lb.	36	26	20	Fowls, Hainan	雞	lb.	62	35	24					
Bullock's Brains	牛	尾	肥	lb.	per set	15	10	12	Geese	鴨	lb.	46	24	24					
	Tongue, fresh	牛	尾	肥	each	65	50	60	Pigeons, Canton	鴿	each	32	80	—					
	Tongue, corned	牛	尾	肥	each	60	—	—	" Hallow	鴿	each	28	28	—					
	Head	牛	尾	肥	lb.	\$1.00	—	\$1.20	Turkeys, Cook	火雞	lb.	75	—	—					
	Heart	牛	尾	肥	lb.	24	18	14	Turkeys, Hen	火雞	each	56	61	45					
	Hump, Salt	牛	尾	肥	lb.	—	20	18	Snipe	沙	each	—	—	—					
	Feet	牛	尾	肥	each	10	10	12	Pheasant	山	pair	—	—	—					
	Kidneys	牛	尾	肥	lb.	15	10	12	Quail	山	each	—	—	—					
	Tail	牛	尾	肥	lb.	25	20	22	Partridges	山	each	—	—	—					
	Liver	牛	尾	肥	lb.	24	13	14											
	Tripe	牛	尾	肥	lb.	10	6	7											
Calves' Head & Feet	牛	尾	肥	lb.	set	\$1.20	\$1.00	\$1.00											
Mutton Chop	牛	尾	肥	lb.	30	25	—	—											
	Leg	牛	尾	肥	lb.	30	26	—											
	Shoulder	牛	尾	肥	lb.	30	24	—											
	Saddle	牛	尾	肥	lb.	32	—	—											
Pig's Chittlings	牛	尾	肥	lb.	30	27	—	—											
	Brains	牛	尾	肥	Per set	8	—	12											
	Feet	牛	尾	肥	lb.	18	15	—											
	Fry	牛	尾	肥	lb.	28	15	18											
	Head	牛	尾	肥	lb.	18	20	—											
	Heart	牛	尾	肥	each	15	10	10											
	Kidneys	牛	尾	肥	lb.	13	10	3											
	Liver	牛	尾	肥	lb.	45	30	24											
Pork Chop	牛	尾	肥	lb.	36	25	23	—											
	Leg	牛	尾	肥	lb.	42	60	70											
	Loin	牛	尾	肥	lb.	24	21	—											
	Fat or Lard	牛	尾	肥	lb.	30	20	19											
Sheep's Head & Feet	牛	尾	肥	lb.	per set	80	60	70											
	Heart	牛	尾	肥	each	10	8	7											
	Kidneys	牛	尾	肥	lb.	14	12	10											
	Liver	牛	尾	肥	lb.	36	26	25											
Sucking Pigs, to order	牛	尾	肥	lb.	25	26	22	—											
Suet, Beef	牛	尾	肥	lb.	30	20	19	—											
" Mutton	牛	尾	肥	lb.	28	26	25	—											
" Veal	牛	尾	肥	lb.	22	20	20	—											
" Sausages	牛	尾	肥	lb.	28	—	—	—											
	No. 1.	牛	尾	肥	lb.	32	—	—											
Fish.										Fruits.									
Barbel	魚	lb.	44	16	24				Almonds	杏	仁	lb.	45	35	—				
Bream	魚	lb.	35	20	16				Apples (California)	金山	牌	真	32	24	—				
Canton Fresh Water	魚	lb.	35	—	—				Bananas (bride's)	蕉	香	蕉	8	4	—				
	Fish	lb.	35	13	16				Carambola	楊	桃	子	12	—	—				
Carp	魚	lb.	35	16	27				Coconuts	椰	子	each	13	10	10				
Catfish	魚	lb.	33	12	9				Lemons, China	檸檬	子	lb.	12	25	30				
Codfish	魚	lb.	40	16	17				Lemons (American)	金山	檸檬	子	each	12	8	—			
Crabs	魚	lb.	30	23	26				Lichests, Dried	荔枝	干	lb.	50	25	30				
Cuttle Fish	魚	lb.	39	16	27				Oranges (Canton)	新會	甜	橙	—	—	—				
Dab	魚	lb.	40	23	16				Oranges	橙	子	—	—	—	15				
Dace	魚	lb.	22	20	—				Pears (Canton)	沙	梨	—	—	—	—				
Dog Fish	魚	lb.	32	10	8				Pennuts	花	生	—	12	10	12				
Sels, Conger	魚	lb.	35	16	—				Persimmons, Large	紅	柿	—	—	12	—				
" Fresh Water	魚	lb.	32	10	8				Plantain	大	蕉	—	5	8	—				
" Yellow	魚	lb.	70	26	30				Pumelo, Siam	暹	羅	柚	each	18	12	6			
Frogs	魚	lb.	75	32	25				Walnuts	合	桃	子	lb.	18	—	18			
Garoupa	魚	lb.	28	40	30				Grapes	普	提	子	55	—	—				
Gudgeon	魚	lb.	30	22	18														
Herrings	魚	lb.	34	13	23														
Halibut	魚	lb.	34	18	15														
Labrus	魚	lb.	55	32	13														
Loach	魚	lb.	54	22	24														
Lobsters	魚	lb.	35	32	21														
Mackerel	魚	lb.	38	20	20														
Monk Fish	魚	lb.	35	13	2														
Mullet	魚	lb.	32	12	2														
Oysters	魚	lb.	32	14	9														
Perot Fish	魚	lb.	30	30	15														
Perch	魚	lb.	34	16	9														
Pike	魚	lb.	35	26	20														
Plaice	魚	lb.	42	36	30														
Pomfret, White	魚	lb.	38	36	45														
Pomfret, Black	魚	lb.	62	10	14														
Prawns	魚	lb.	22	10	14														
Ray	魚	lb.	30	13	18														
Rock Fish	魚	lb.	33	22	10														
Roach	魚	lb.	50	86	30														
Salmon	魚	lb.	22	8	10														
Shark	魚	lb.	22	10	10														
Skate	魚	lb.	44	32	80														
Shrimps	魚	lb.	38	28	28														
Snapper	魚	lb.	40	22	28														
Soles	魚	lb.	35	26	85														
Tench	魚	lb.	38	18	12														
Turbot	魚	lb.	95	40	—														
Turtles, small, fr. water	魚	lb.	95	40	—														
Vegetables, &c.										Fruits.									
Artichokes	菜	each	12	—	2				Apples (California)	金山	牌	真	32	24	—				
Beans, Sprout	菜	lb.	6	—	7				Bananas (bride's)	蕉	香	蕉	8	4	—				
" Long	菜	lb.	12	8	—				Carambola	楊	桃	子	12	—	—				
Beet Root	菜	lb.	12	—	—				Coconuts	椰	子	each	13	10	10				
Bitter Squash	菜	lb.	6	24	—				Lemons, China	檸檬	子	lb.	12	25	30				
Brijalas, Green	菜	lb.	6	5	3				Lemons (American)	金山	檸檬	子	each	12	8	—			
" Red	菜	lb.	8	5	3				Lichests, Dried	荔枝	干	lb.	50	25	30				
Cabbage, Chinese	菜	lb.	10	—	12				Oranges (Canton)	新會	甜	橙	—	—	—				
" (Shanghai)	菜	lb.	10	—	12				Oranges	橙	子	—	—	—	15				
Cane Shoots, bunch	菜	lb.	10	—	—				Pears (Canton)	沙	梨	—	—	—	—				
Cauliflower (Large)	菜	each	—	—	—				Pennuts	花	生	—	12	10	12				
" (Medium)	菜	each	—	—	—				Persimmons, Large	紅	柿	—	—	12	—				
" (Small)	菜	each	—	—	—				Plantain	大	蕉	—	5	8	—				
Carrots	菜	lb.	12	5	6				Pumelo, Siam	暹	羅	柚	each	18	12	6			
Celery, Chinese	菜	lb.	10	10	6				Walnuts	合	桃	子	lb.	18	—	18			
Chillies, Dried	菜	lb.	30	25	5				Grapes	普	提	子	55	—	—				
" Red	菜	lb.	20	10	10														
" Green	菜	lb.	14	8	12														
Curry Stuff, English	菜	lb.	10	8	—														
Cucumbers	菜	lb.	6	2	—														
Garlic	菜	lb.	8	0	6														
Ginger, Young	菜	lb.	15	7	—														
" Old	菜	lb.	17	10	—														
Horseradish, Shanghai	菜	lb.	30	9	4														
Indian Corn	菜	lb.	8	45	—														
Lettuce	菜	lb.	6	1	—														
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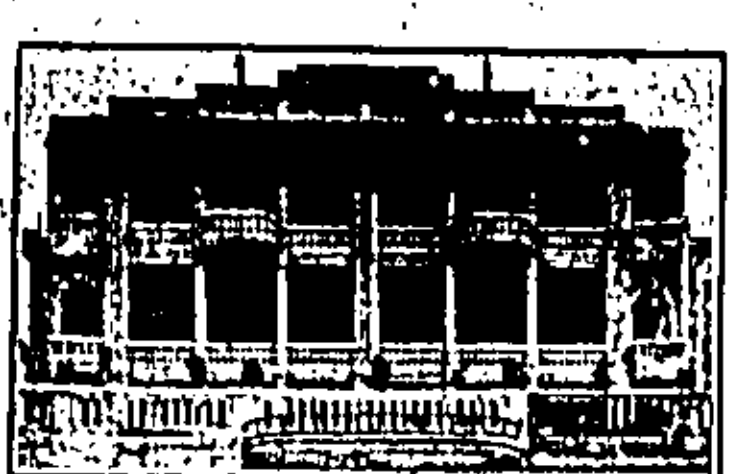
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LORANG IN COURT.

Francis Lorang, the financier and director of the Blue Bird group of companies, who has been extradited to England, appeared in a packed court at the Guildhall in mail week.

He was facing the magistrate on charges involving more than £300,000 and an allegation that he made a false statement in a statutory report.

He was remanded so that he might go through the books with his legal advisers and accountants.

The strain of the long extradition proceedings showed on Lorang's face as he stood motionless in the dock for the few minutes the hearing occupied.

It was more than a year ago that Lorang left London, and went to live in Luxembourg, his native country.

During last year orders for the compulsory liquidation of the various Blue Bird companies were made.

Then, in January this year, Lorang was arrested in a Paris restaurant, but it was not until yesterday that he left Boulogne with City police detectives on his way back to London (says the Evening News of June 24).

To-day he entered the Guildhall by a side entrance, escaping the curious crowd which waited in front of the court.

He is a rather stocky man, and his heavy, clean-shaven face was deathly pale.

Spruce Appearance.
He wore a neat dark-blue suit, and the shortness of the iron-grey hair fringing his head gave him a very spruce appearance.

In every available seat there were City men, directors, stockholders and others, for the case is creating great interest. Many stood four or five deep behind the dock.

Mr. Clayton, solicitor for the Director of Public Prosecutions, said Lorang was at the court as a result of extradition proceedings between this country and France. The warrant was first granted in September of last year in reference to the Blue Bird Petrol Company.

Charges.
The charges in relation to this company were, first, of making a false statement on a statutory report.

The next charge was for fraudulent conversion consisting of different sums — namely, £79,000, £36,000, £24,000, and £26,000.

The second company concerned in the charges was called the Blue Bird Holdings, Limited, and the charge in this respect was fraudulent conversion of £8,000.

The third company concerned was called Blue Bird Oil Importers, Limited, and there was a charge of fraudulently converting £93,421.

The fourth company of this group was known as Blue Bird Petrol Foreign, Limited, and the charge there was one of fraudulently converting £51,000.

The total was £317,000 in respect of the group.

There was another company called Blue Bird Motors, 1924, but there was no charge in respect to that. At the same time it was bound to be mentioned because the false statement, alleged to have been made in connection with the Blue Bird Petrol Company, was that certain payments amounting to £8,000 were made to the motor company.

Lorang was bankrupt. He was adjudicated about June last year, and left this country some time in May of last year.

Lorang was managing director of the four companies and he had sole control of the financial side.

The alleged conversion was that money was paid into the companies' account and very shortly afterwards it went into Lorang's own account.

All the four companies were in liquidation, and the liquidator would tell the court that the total indebtedness by Lorang to these companies was something over £500,000.

Inspector's Statement.

Inspector Giles, of the City Police, said he saw Lorang at Boulogne yesterday.

"After being cautioned," said the inspector, "Lorang said, 'Whatever has happened, it was done with the consent of the board, especially Mr. Plesius and Mr. Trye. Far from misappropriating any money, I maintain that the companies owe me money.'"

"When Lorang was formally charged at Moirlane police station, he said: 'Far from having misappropriated anything, the companies owe me money. The money that has been spent were done with the directors' consent.'"

Mr. Harry Myers, who represented Lorang, said his client was anxious that the case should go before a jury as soon as possible. He would be obliged if special days could be fixed for the hearing.

"The case for the prosecution," added Mr. Myers, "I understand will

**A LONDON MYSTERY
RECALLED.**

"Princess" and Her
Parents' Fate.

AN AMERICAN LINK.

A wealthy chemical engineer, Mr. Donald Shields Andrews, of Fairhaven, New Jersey, has just died of poison. The police believe that the poison was taken accidentally, but Mr. Andrews's fate forges a tragic link with the fate of a beautiful woman whose death was one of the greatest sensations in London eleven years ago.

Mr. Andrews was a student at Yale in 1915 when he met Alma Vecera Hayne, a beautiful girl who at the age of seventeen had been married to a wealthy Canadian, who divorced her after a year or two. Mr. Andrews eloped with her, and they lived together for a time. It is not known whether or not they went through any form of marriage.

What is known is that the woman was always hinting that she was the daughter of the Archduke Rudolf of Austria and the beautiful Baroness Mavis Vetsera, who perished in circumstances of so much mystery at Meyerling in 1889. This suggestion was never substantiated, but she insisted over and over again that both her father and her mother committed suicide by poison.

When her association with Mr. Andrews ended she came to London. She seemed to be in possession of considerable wealth, stayed at the best hotels, was always beautifully dressed, and was a welcome guest at the smartest dinner parties and dances.

She became, indeed, a central figure in the gayest set in the closing months of the war, and many officers were numbered among her friends. Finally, she took a flat in Duke Street, St. James.

In the summer of 1919 she met an ex-Army officer, Captain Cedric Sebastian Steane, the son of an organist in a Kentish town, and a former chorister of Westminster Abbey.

They were married on August 30, 1919, went to Cornwall for the honeymoon, returned for a while to Captain Steane's flat in Carlisle Place, Westminster, and later went to the flat in Duke Street.

On November 11, 1919, Captain and Mrs. Steane went to a Victory Ball at Claridge's Hotel. They returned to the flat at about 2.30 a.m., and, according to the evidence which Captain Steane gave at the inquest, sat for a while in front of the fire in their sitting-room chatting. "I am so happy to be here, and so glad because you are here," she said, referring to an unhappy love affair which had come to an end about a year previously.

Then she began to talk of her mother. She declared that she could hear her mother calling to her, and wanted to go. A few minutes later she went into her bedroom, and she called out, "Tony, I am really going to take this stuff this time."

Captain Steane rushed to her, but she was already in a state of collapse. He telephoned to a doctor, who came at once, but she died about two and a half hours later from poisoning by cyanide of potassium.

A verdict of "Suicide while of unsound mind" was returned by the coroner, who declared that it was "the case of a highly strung, neurotic young woman."

Surrey's Motor Traffic.
During the past three years traffic in Surrey has increased by 34.7 per cent., motor vehicles representing 76.15 per cent. of the whole.

not take more than four or five days, and no defence will be put before this court.

"We have heard Lorang's statement that it was a matter of account, and the defence will be put forward at the proper place."

Mr. Myers asked that Lorang should have facilities for seeing voluminous documents at the Guildhall—documents vital to the case.

He also requested that Lorang should go to Brixton Prison in a taxicab, remarking: "He has had rather a harassing time abroad."

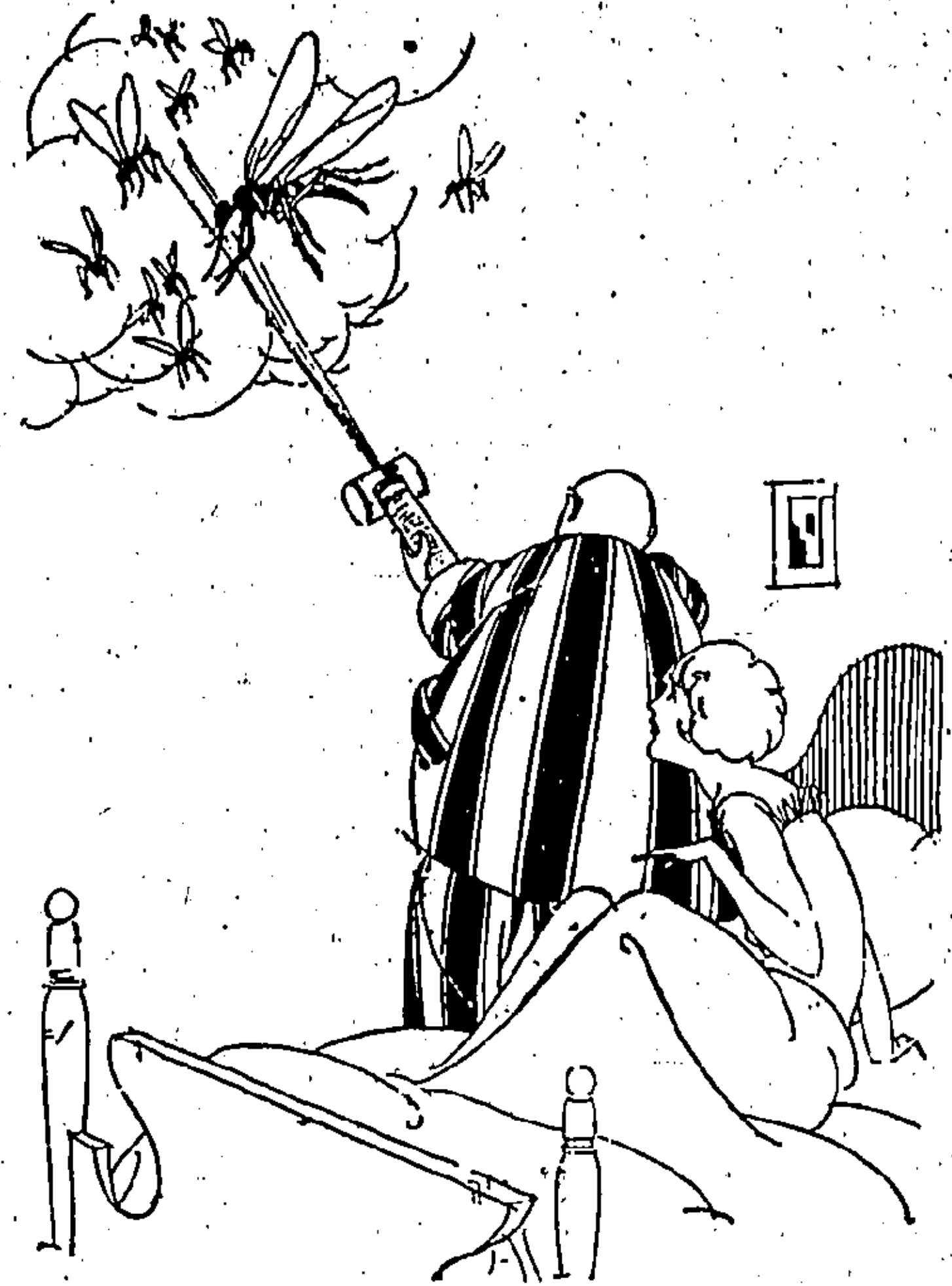
Lorang smiled and bowed when the magistrate granted both requests.

No Bail Asked For.
Mr. Myers said he was not going to ask for bail, as it was not usual in extradition cases.

Lorang bowed again as he slowly left the dock.

Crowds who waited to see him enter the taxi to go to Brixton were again disappointed, as Lorang was brought from another door leading to the court.

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**A "MYTHICAL"
FORTUNE.**

**Woman Pleads Guilty to
Duping Men.**

A mother of five children, Mrs. Edith Mercy Ford, aged 44, who pleaded guilty at the Old Bailey to fraud, was said to have used a typewriting office to turn out wills.

She was charged with obtaining from David Emanuel Rodriguez sums of £5, £8, and £20, and from Walter James Thomas the sum of £10 by false pretences.

"This is a story of a mythical fortune," said Mr. Frederick Levy, prosecuting.

Ford, in 1928 became acquainted with Mr. Rodriguez, who was a cinema operator, he explained.

She said she was a beneficiary under the will of her aunt in Durban, South Africa, who left £45,000, and had Gold Coast shares and other shares to the value of £53,000. She showed him what purported to be a copy of her aunt's will.

The Bait.
"Having got the bait out she was quite ready to hook the fish," commented Mr. Levy, who read a part of the copy of the will, which represented that Ford was left a considerable fortune unconditionally.

Mr. Rodriguez was impressed by the woman's story, and she told him he could have a position at a salary of £15 a week at a cinema she proposed to buy.

She said a witness to her aunt's will was going to South Africa to settle up affairs, and she was short of his passage money, and Mr. Rodriguez advanced her £5. Later he stood security for her to a moneylender.

"She had the whole of his money and left him penniless," Mr. Levy declared.

Will Found in Street.
Then Ford got hold of Mr. Thomas. She offered him a position and he advanced her £10. The woman apparently had been broad-casting wills, as in 1928 a detective found in the street at Ilford a document which appeared to be the will of Ford's aunt in Durban, under which Ford was said to have been left £20,000.

Apparently Ford had a typewriting office, and when she had nothing to do she turned out wills.

Detective D. Nixon said Ford had five children. In August, 1928, she was sentenced to three months' hard labour at Stratford for attempting to obtain money by fraud.

Ford had been writing letters bordering on blackmail.

Judge Gregory passed sentence of 15 months' hard labour.



QUEEN'S presents Mae Clarke and Robert Ames in "Nix on Dames," a story of vaudeville players and their love affairs. Many of the large cast have had actual experience of vaudeville life and this helps the film enormously. "This film represents a new talkie departure both dramatically and photographically." A talkie film.

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*NAGPORE	5,283	15th Nov.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
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RAWALPINDI	16,610	6th Dec.	Bombay, Marseilles, & London.
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MANTUA	10,946	16th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
SHIRALA	7,841	19th Aug.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHGAR	9,005	26th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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MALWA	10,980	12th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*NAGPORE	5,283	23rd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHYBER	9,114	26th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MOREA	10,954	10th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KARNATAKA	9,128	19th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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RAWALPINDI	16,610	7th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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Shanghai, July 11.
Over one hundred Chinese seamen held a demonstration in front of the local office of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company shortly after noon today, when Mr. Chao Tieh-chiao, managing director of the concern, was about to leave the premises. The seamen, practically all of whom were employed by the s.s. Kiangtien and Kiangchin-on the Yangtze run, said that during the past year their boats had been commandeered by the military no fewer than a dozen times with the result that they could not earn anything to meet their expenses. They demanded that the Company transfer them to other boats or recoup their losses. Mr. Chao agreed to consider their demands provided the demonstrators left the premises.

Later in the afternoon, the seamen again made a demonstration. No sooner had Mr. Chao entered his motor car than the seamen rushed to him and prevented his progress, saying that before they allowed him to go, he must reply to their demands. Police soon arrived on the scene and dispersed the demonstrators.—Kuo Wen.

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August 5 to 11, 1930.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
July	Standard Time	Time
Tues 5	8 15 4	1 15 4
Wed 6	9 28 2	2 28 2
Thurs 7	10 41 0	3 41 0
Fri 8	11 53 8	4 53 8
Sat 9	1 6 6	5 6 6
Sun 10	1 17 4	6 17 4
Mon 11	2 29 2	7 29 2
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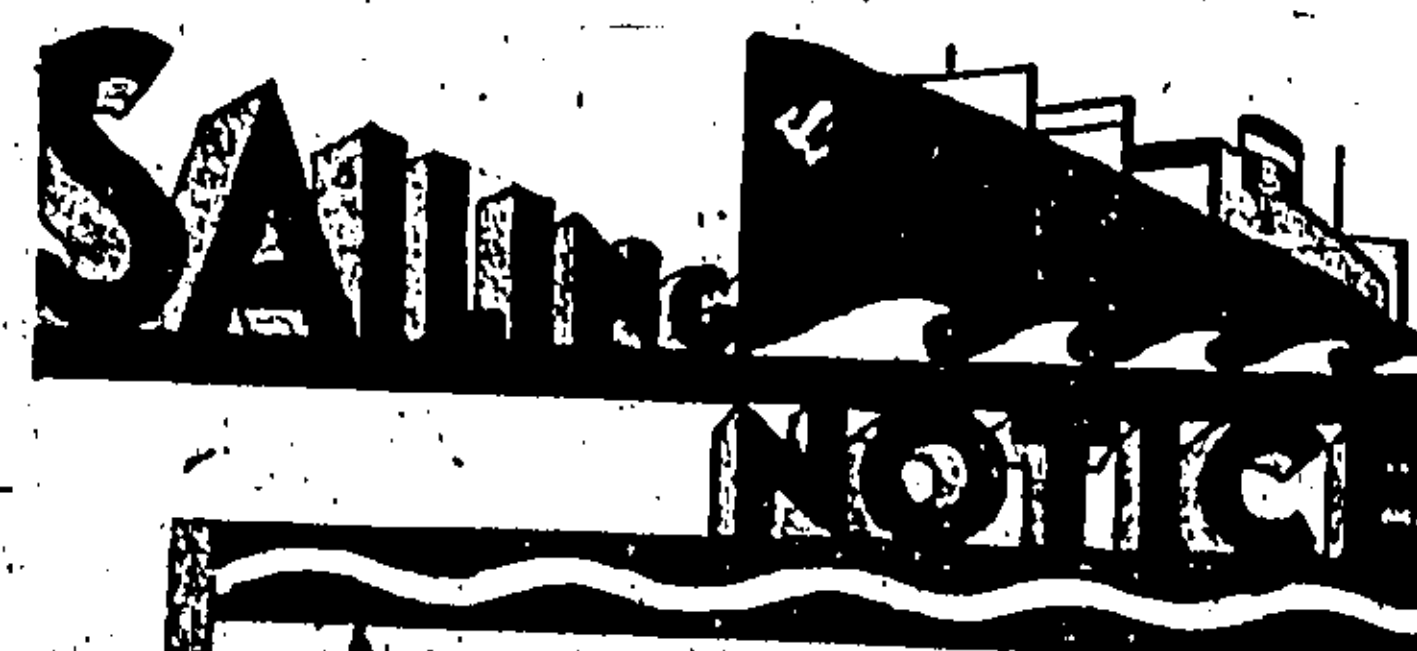
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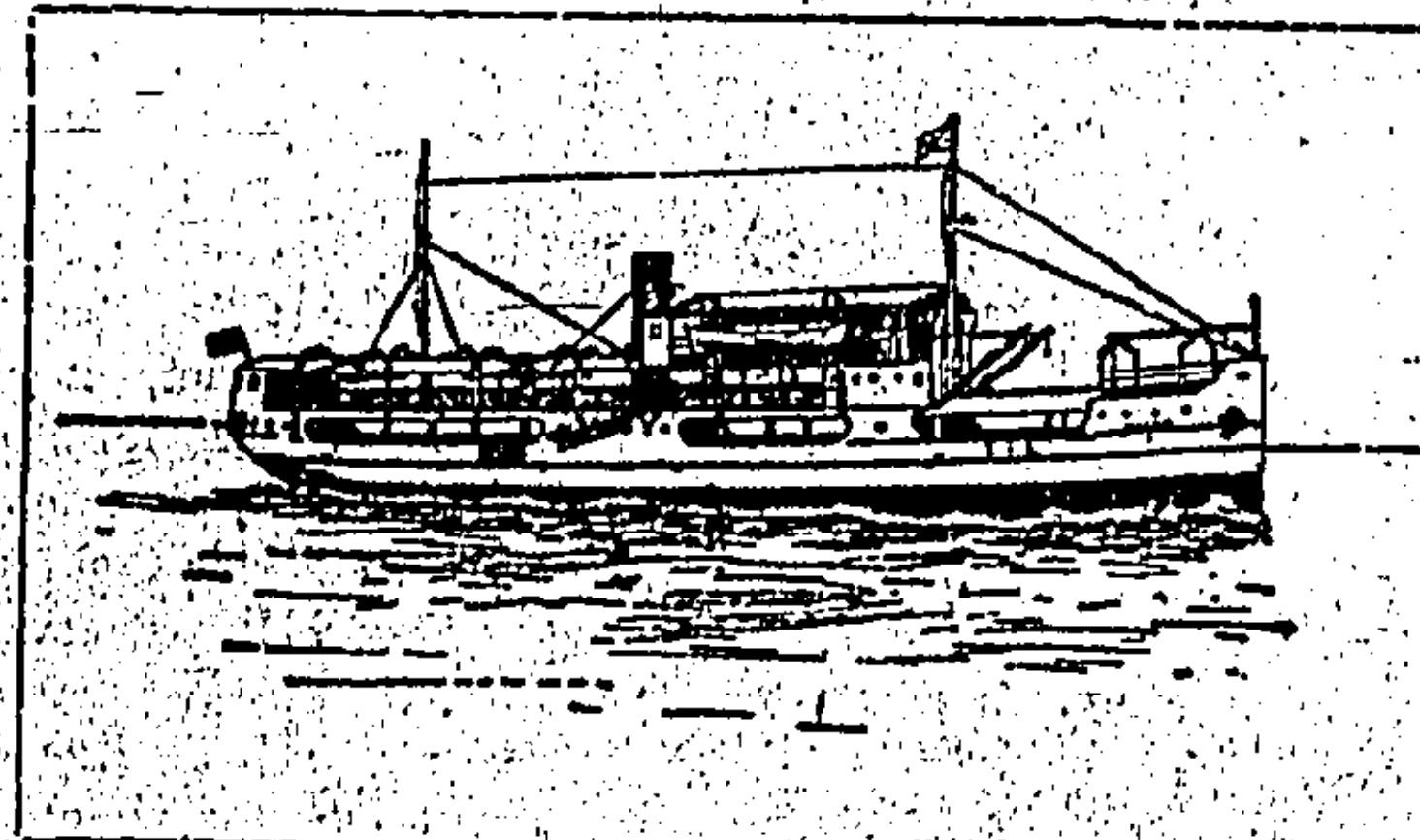
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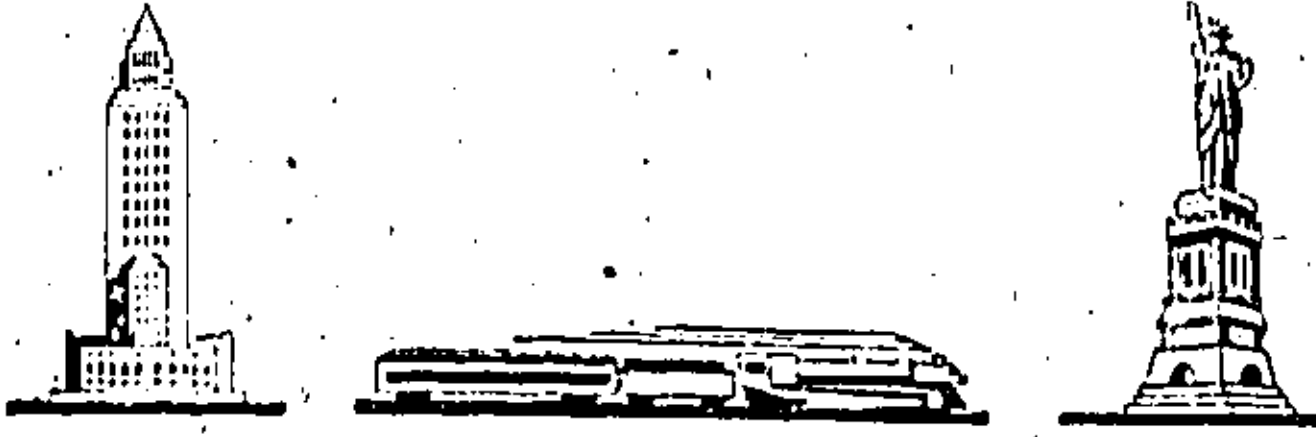
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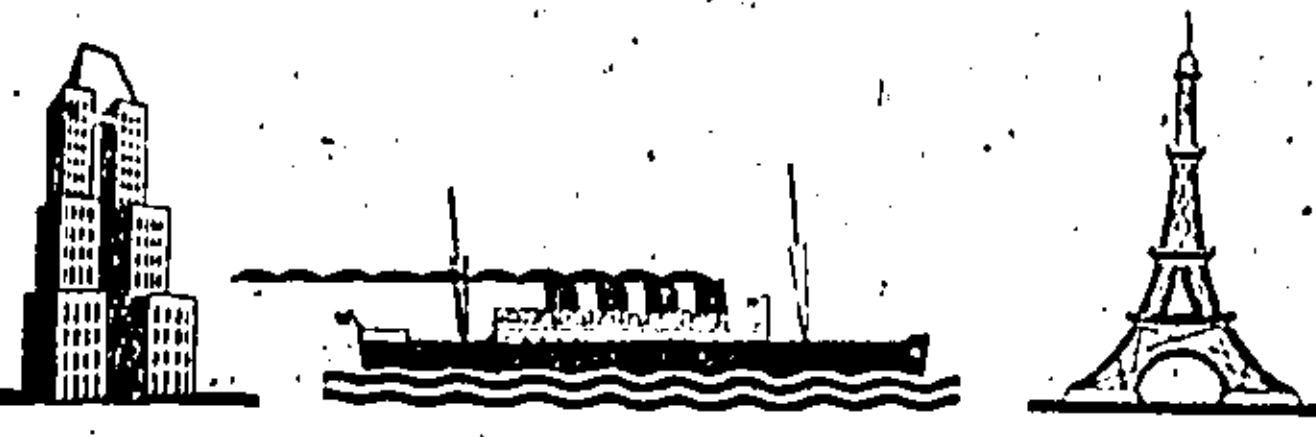
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Obstructing the Press.

Inspired doubtless by recent re-
ferences in the *China Mail* to the
strangulation of typhoon news on
the part of the Royal Observa-
tory, a curt intimation is made
in the current issue of the *Gov-
ernment Gazette* that "the public
is requested not to call" the
Observatory by telephone when
the black signal is up, and a list
of places is given where typhoon
news is available. That intima-
tion is superfluous for the simple
reason that it is impossible for
the public to get into telephonic
communication with the Obser-
vatory after the black signal is
hoisted. An attempt may be
made, but the individual is em-
phatically told by the person in
charge of the Government tele-
phone exchange that he has been
instructed not to place any one in
communication with the Obser-
vatory. That was not the gravamen
of the complaint made in the
China Mail. What we demanded
—not, merely suggested—was
that facilities be given to the
Press to obtain the latest avail-
able typhoon news direct from
the Observatory.

We notice that this morning's
Daily Press makes a similar plea,
though couched in less forceful
language. It says:—

We can think of no reason
why the Press should not be
permitted to engage in tele-
phonic communication with the
Observatory at all times. The
more critical the situation, the
more reason for giving wide
publicity to the latest informa-
tion available. It might quite
easily happen that news of an
alarming—or possibly re-assur-
ing—nature would be in the
possession of the Observatory

five minutes before the papers
must go to press. If that in-
formation were given by tele-
phone to the newspapers asking
for it, it would be promptly
broadcast to the public—and
not everybody has a wireless
set to pick up the hourly
bulletin given out by radio.
We suggest, then, that the
officials at the Observatory be
instructed to reply at all times
to all Press inquiries concern-
ing typhoon movements, and so
make full use of the machinery
which is freely at their dis-
posal for making authentic
weather reports widely and
quickly known.

In certain quarters—the mild-
ness of the language used by our
contemporary may be admired in
merely making a suggestion.
The time for mere suggestion is
past. The question was raised
during the regime of Sir Cecil
Clementi, and it was then hoped
that His Excellency would be able
to influence the Royal Observa-
tory to be a little more reasonable
in its attitude to the Press after
the black signal has gone up.
Surely one clerk can be detailed
to take on, in addition to his other
work, the duty of promptly com-
municating typhoon news to the
Press. If one clerk cannot be
spared for that, then surely the
person in charge of the Govern-
ment telephone exchange could
be entrusted with the duty,
thus still keeping the Observatory
sanctuarized and acquainting the
Press with the movements of
typhoons. Where there is a will,
there is a way.

It is ridiculous to keep on ob-
structing the Press in its legiti-
mate work of securing news. In
the case of the evening news-
papers all that is required is the
latest available information
within ten minutes of going to
press—that means only two calls
to the Observatory or to the per-
son in charge of the Government
telephone line. And the same
applies to the two morning news-
papers. It, by no means implies
that newspaper staffs are going
to make themselves a nuisance by
telephoning to the Observatory
every five minutes of the day.
They are far too busy themselves
on a typhoon day for that!

For ourselves we are far from
satisfied with the latest develop-
ment through the medium of the
Government Gazette. We still
demand that the obstruction of
the Press be removed and that
promptly.

News in Brief.

A valuable collection of postage
stamps, including a fine specimen of
Hong Kong Jubilee Taff K, is to be
sold by auction at Lamert
Brothers' sale rooms on Friday at
5.15 p.m.

The forthcoming marriage is
announced of Alan Prismall, of 278,
The Peak, to Jessie Elizabeth
Harris-Walker, of 55, The Peak.

Yu Fat, master of the Lee Yee
firewood shop, 22 Swatow Street,
reported to the Police yesterday
that one of his foks had abandoned
since 6.30 p.m. on Sunday, taking
with him \$140 which he had collect-
ed from various customers of the
shop without authority.

Believed to have attempted to
commit suicide, a Chinese woman
named Li Tol-mui (26), whose
home is at 289 Temple Street,
Yau-mat, was last night found by
the Police hanging by a length of
rope from a lamp-post in Canton
Road. She was still alive, but
unconscious when cut down, and
was immediately removed to the
Kowloon Hospital, where she is re-
ported to be recovering.

Jewellery worth \$555 was yester-
day reported to have been stolen
from the house of Mr. D. M.
Goodall, 1, May Road. The prop-
erty was taken from a locked box
stored in the drying room. It was
found missing yesterday when Mr.
Goodall had occasion to open the
box, which must have been rifled
some time ago. Mr. Goodall
suspects a house "boy," who left
his employment on July 15.

A Chinese youth named Tan Chiu
(18), of 49 Main Street, Aberdeen,
was the victim of a serious motor
accident yesterday afternoon. He
was walking near the Aberdeen
Police Station when he was ac-
cidentally run into by a motor bus
of the Aberdeen Bus Co. He was
thrown heavily away from the
vehicle, and, falling, his head struck
the ground with great force, causing
a fracture of the skull. He was
picked up unconscious and taken to
the Government Civil Hospital,
where he is now in a critical con-
dition.

WORLD RECORD.

HONG KONG TO SOUTHAMPTON
VIA VANCOUVER.

Capt. A. J. Holland, at present
Staff Captain on the Empress of
Japan, left Hong Kong on the
Empress of Russia at 6 a.m. on
June 4, passed Waglan at 7 a.m.
on that date and arrived at Van-
couver on June 21. Spending
6½ hours there he left on the
same day for Montreal where he
arrived on the morning of June
26. After spending 1½ hours in
Montreal, he sailed for Europe
and arrived at Southampton on
July 4. He remained in South-
ampton for eight days, leaving
by the Empress of Japan on July
12 and arrived off Waglan at 8.17
p.m. on August 1, having made
the trip in 58 days, 13 hours, 17
minutes.

This, even with an eight-day
stay in Southampton, may be a
world record without the use of
aeroplane. It is most certainly a
record for any one transportation
Company.

"AN OLD HAND."

ON THE JOB FOR THIRTY-SIX
YEARS.

The enviable record of being on
the job for thirty-six years goes
to Mr. W. A. Allen of the Eastern
Extension Australasia and China
Telegraph Company, Ltd., who
retired on pension from the begin-
ning of this month.

Mr. Allen, or "Big Bill" as he
is familiarly known to his many
friends, was the guest of honour
at a Chinese dinner given by the
staff of the Eastern Telegraph
Company on Saturday night,
when the opportunity was taken
of presenting him with a silver
cigar box, cigarette case, and ash
tray.

CARS IN COLLISION.

On Sunday afternoon Inspector
R. H. E. Marks, of the Yau-mat
Police Station, and a party, who
were proceeding to Shatin by motor
car, were involved in a collision on
the Shatin Hill just before reaching
the reservoir.

The collision was with a public
car which was going in the op-
posite direction, and occurred half
way up the hill. For some un-
known reason, when the public car
appeared on the road from round a
bend, it made straight for the car
which Inspector Marks was driving.

Inspector Marks drew his car to
the extreme left of the road to
avoid a collision, but in spite of this
the other car continued on its
erratic course. The rear wheel
of Inspector Marks's car was
hit, causing the back of the car to
be forced against the side of the
road. Both rear mudguards of
the car were dented. No other
damage was done, and the members
of the party escaped injury.

BRITON STABBED. CHEUNGCHAU NOTES

ANIMOSITY AROUSED BY
RUMOURS.

ATTACKED BY BOY.

Calcutta, July 23.

The attempted murder of a police-
sergeant named Ford has caused
great excitement in Calcutta.

Mr. Ford, who is in hospital in a
critical condition, has made a de-
claration to the effect that his as-
sailant was a weedy youth of about
14 years of age. The sergeant was
stabbed in the back with a knife a
foot long.

Animosity towards the police is
being created by members of Con-
gress by tales of assaults having
been committed by members of the
force. It is believed that the
would-be murderer was incited by
these false rumours. — Straits
Times.

CUSTOMS FRAUD?

UNEARTHED BY OUSTED
COMMISSIONER.

OFFICIAL'S STATEMENTS.

Tientsin, July 15.

Mr. Pan Lien-yu, one of the
newly appointed Deputy Commis-
sioners of Customs in Tientsin,
made the following statement in
the course of an interview to a
Ta Kung Pao reporter:—

"The total number of the staff
members before was about 400,
whereas at present there are
about 200. The office hour is now
fixed at from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and
with the increased two hours
every day it is quite enough to
handle the daily routine. The
transactions before were some-
times left in abeyance for over a
month, but we now deal with
and settle everything immedi-
ately after it happens.

"Most people believe that for-
eign employees on the Customs
are more capable in their work
than the Chinese. It is true that
some of them are really able men,
but there are those who conduct
corrupt activities. A big case
of corrupt practice and squeezing
has been discovered in which for-
mer foreign Customs officials are
involved. Investigations are at
present being made and it will not
be disclosed completely for the
time being. The way by which
they did the fraud was to fix for
several months low levies on piece
goods of high quality imported by
Japanese steamers. It was, how-
ever, found by the former Com-
missioner of Customs and was left
unsettled due to the recent cus-
toms event. The loss to the cus-
toms revenue is enormous, and
severe punishment will be inflicted
on those found guilty when the
investigation is completed."

"It has now been found that
the fraud was conducted by the
joint collusion of certain foreign
merchants and foreign Customs
employees during the time of the
former Commissioner. So far
evidence has been found of four
or five of the foreign employees
involved in the case and investi-
gations are continued on certain
Chinese Customs employees.

Mr. Pan also stated that four
foreign steamers have abandoned
their sailing to the port for fear
of detention owing to their con-
nection with the case.—P. & T.
Times.

CANTON EXPRESS.

MODERN COACHES AND
KITCHEN CARS.

THREE HOUR RUN?

Further to what we reported
about a fortnight ago, a senior
member of the staff of the Canton-
Kowloon Railway Administration
told a press representative yesterday
that since last week, a large num-
ber of new sleepers purchased from
Manila by the Ministry has arrived
at Canton and been turned over to
the line.

Work for replacing the old and
decaying sleepers in the Chinese
section will shortly commence and
when this is completed, the original
schedule of the express trains will
be re-established.

The big shipment numbering over
50,000 sleepers, which were placed
with Australia, is expected to be
due here before the end of the year,
when all the remaining old sleepers
will be completely replaced.

The express trains can then cover
the trip much faster. It is reckoned
that the time may be reduced down
to three hours, instead of the usual
four.

The Administration has purchas-
ed from America several modern
coaches and kitchen cars, thereby
offering an up-to-date and excellent
service to the passengers.—Canton
Gazette.

MEETING OF THE RESIDENTS'
ASSOCIATION.

WATER SUPPLY QUESTIONS.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Cheung Chau, Yesterday.
A well-attended meeting of the
Cheung Chau Residents' Associa-
tion was held on Tuesday morning
in the Assembly Hall.

During the first part of the meet-
ing the President, Mr. G. E. Wetton,
was in the chair, Mr. A. C. Franklin
(Hon. Sec. and Treasurer) also
being on the platform. The min-
utes of the previous meeting were
read and confirmed and the balance
sheet, which showed a satisfactory
state of affairs, was read and pass-
ed.

It was pointed out that extra ex-
penditure on roads and springs
would probably not recur for some
years, and also that other member-
ship fees would be paid in during
the next two months.

The retiring President re-
ferred to possible further
improvements in the ferry
service and said that the
water supply was in good order.

Mr. Wetton then proposed that
the Rev. J. C. Mitchell be elected as
President. This was seconded by
Mr. A. C. Franklin, and on being
put to the meeting was carried un-
animously.

The incoming President then
took the chair. Mr. A. C. Franklin
was asked to continue in office as
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.
The Rev. A. H. Bray was elected as
first Vice-President and Captain
Lossius as second Vice-President.
Committee Reports.

Reports of Committees were then
given. The Religious Services
Committee reported on the rebind-
ing of the song books, the cost of
which had been met by a special
collection. A special service had
been held at Easter and Sunday
School, and Bible Classes had
been held regularly.

A new Committee was elected
as follows:—Miss Green, the Rev.
Desterhaft, Kempf and Chayson.

The Medical Committee re-
ported in detail on the reconstruction
of the spring outlets. Dr.
Cadbury and Dr. Hollings will
act on this committee during their
time of residence.

Mrs. Lowe, Mrs. Ray, the Rev.
J. McKenzie, Dr. Hollings and Mr.
Besking were elected as members
of the Recreation Committee.

Water Supply.
Considerable discussion took
place in regard to improve-
ments and better control of the
water carrying and transport ser-
vice, and a sub-committee was ap-
pointed to investigate and tighten
up the contract.

A vote of thanks was recorded
to the outgoing officers and mem-
bers of the various committee and
the meeting closed with prayer.

House Owners Meet.
This meeting was then follow-
ed by the House Owners' Meeting.
Mr. Franklin read the list of
Trustees for the Hall and point-
ed out that the retiring members
this year were Mr. J. L.
McPherson and Dr. W. M. Wright.
The Rev. J. McKenzie was elect-
ed as the British representative
and the Rev. Rex Ray as the
American member.

Intending visitors should note
that Mrs. Jaffray is arranging for
the letting of the cottage in place
of Mr. McKenzie. All correspon-
dence should be addressed to
House 22 in future.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail,"
August 5, 1920.]

To-day's dollar is worth 4/-
1½d.

A number of Chinese financiers
in Hong Kong have formed a
company to engage in the pur-
chase of properties in the Philip-
pines for the purpose of develop-
ing Chinese trade. Millions of
dollars will be appropriated in the
campaign.

Ten Years Hence.

[From the "China Mail" of
August 5, 1930.]

In the Legislative Council
Chamber a pleasing ceremony
was witnessed when a full length
oil painting of Sir Henry Gollan,
subscribed for by members of the
Civil Service in recognition of his
work ten years ago as Chairman
of the Salaries Commission, was
unveiled by the Hon. the Colonial
Secretary.

A moonlight carnival is being
arranged by the Lawn Bowls
Association to raise funds to pay
the passages of the rinks selected
to go to Shanghai for the inter-
port match. It is thus hoped to
repel the former decision not to
send a team this year on. The
ground of insufficient volunteers
owing to the high cost of living.



THE
RESERVES
SAVE THE
DAY.

Your health is like an army. It is always out fight-
ing for you, but when the regulars drop by the way-
side, you must call up the reserves.

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the value of adequate reserve strength. Do you?
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In bottles of 100 and 250 grams, powder form
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TRAGEDIES OF THE WORKLESS.

Hope Sustained Only by the "Dole."

LIFE IN THE SLUMS.

London, after the north, seems incredibly vitalised. The general industrial depression that lies so heavily on the people of the mining and the cotton districts is not here, writes Mrs. C. Chesterton in the Daily Express.

Unemployment is sporadic rather than settled, hope still lurks round the corner, there is yet the chance of a job but within narrower limits there is the same struggle. The London woman, with husband out of work like her sister of the Tyneside, has to keep the family fed and shod and based on a weekly sum that calls for unending ingenuity and patience.

You find them everywhere, these heroines of unemployment, facing the daily grind, the never-ending problem of how to make one shilling do the work of two. It is for them to keep their husbands flagging courage to sticking point to hold against the heaped-up disappointment of hope continually deferred an even keel of sympathy and courage.

Few know the story of their lives, their struggles and endurance. I have learned something of what it means to manage on the dole.

Hunger for a Garden.
I found husband, wife, and five children, from two to eight years old, living in one room—a typical home—in Queensland Road, Holloway—that district of wide thoroughfares, main streets, and congeries of teeming slums.

"We pay 10s. a week rent," said the cheery little woman. "You see, it's what they call furnished. The landlord puts in a bed and a chair or two. There's not an unfurnished room to be had, though we've still enough of our own things to manage."

The floor was covered with linoleum—also the landlord's. Mother, father and two children slept in one bed, and three children in another.

The husband, a tall sturdy chap draws 17s. a week unemployment pay with 9s. a week for his wife and 2s. for each child. To feed and clothe and generally look after a family of seven on 36s. a week needs husbandry and hard work. The menu is largely tea and "bread and margarine," with a sweet pudding for the children, potatoes, and occasional steaks.

Few have more than one room in Queensland Road, but though terribly overcrowded they are all clean. Flowers bloom in the windows and in the pathetic little front yards runner beans flourish with geraniums, and marigolds all "a-blowing and agrowing from a pennorth of seeds"—the symbol of the Londoner's romantic hunger for a garden.

Clothes by Instalments.
A widow and four daughters exist on the unemployment pay of 12s. weekly of the eldest daughter aged eighteen, 2s. per child from the Public Assistance Committee—which has taken the place of the Poor Law guardians—and what the woman can earn by daily charring. They live in one room at 8s. a week, with their own furniture and gas cooker. The groceries are bought at a general shop which allows a shilling discount in the 5s. The instalment clothing plan keeps them dressed.

"It's very difficult sometimes," said the mother, "but it's bad for the girl to go shabbier than her friends. It put wrong ideas into her head. She must look smart on a Sunday, but week-days don't matter. So I pawn her best dress and the kiddies' shoes and my coat when we're hard up, and get them out again at week-ends."

The family wardrobe is the household capital, drawn out and paid in as necessity demands through "the poor man's bank."

"So long as there is something, however little, coming in regular like, it gives you hope," said an elderly woman. "It was different before the war. My husband fell out of work for three years and our home and his savings had to go to find the children food. It broke his heart. He's never been the same since. The dole does help, at any rate, to keep your spirit up. You aren't quite ground into the dust."

The Master Man.
What this sense of security means I realised a little further down the same street, an old-fashioned turning off Hornsey Road.

"No, my husband doesn't get unemployment pay. He's what they call a master man. That means he sells fruit on the board, but we haven't got the fruit and there's no chance of getting any. He was laid up and he had to spend the money that buys his stock."

They have lived up to present on the home which is going bit by bit. They will not apply to the Public

HAIL STORM IN SUMMER.

Destroy Crops Near Peking.

Peking, July 12.
A delegation of gentry of the western suburb of Peking submitted a petition to the Provincial Government of Hopei yesterday reporting the disastrous condition of the hail and rain storm last week which wrought havoc to the crops and requesting relief and exemption of taxes.

The farmers were rejoicing over the excellent prospect of a plentiful harvest in the coming fall, as the result of the timely rain in the beginning of the season, the petition stated. But a big hail storm visited the district on the 28th of last month, destroying almost every trace of the young crop and fruit and vegetables. The hailstones were as big as eggs. The fall harvest was therefore a total loss, and the people were left in distress. The authorities of the provincial Government were requested to devise means to relieve the suffering farmers, who were deprived of all means of subsistence, as the district had been visited by flood and drought successively for many years without interruption.

A similar petition was also submitted to the Municipal Government, who had already promised to appoint special officials to make a thorough investigation. The Famine Relief Committee has also been notified and requested to give the matter its consideration. It is known that the districts, east of Peking have also suffered tremendously from the hail storm last month, though detailed reports are still lacking—Asiatic.

SHANGHAI DOCTORS.

RAISE CHARGES FOR SERVICES.

STATEMENT ISSUED.

Shanghai, July 12.
The Shanghai Foreign Medical Practitioners' Association has decided to raise its professional fees, as a result of which increases are going into effect all round. This applies, in the case of private patients, to new contracts as from July 1.

In the case of existing contracts, the rate for children is raised to Tls. 40 per annum. In so far as new contracts are concerned, entered into after July 1, the first adult member of a family has to pay Tls. 75, the second adult Tls. 70 and each child Tls. 40.

Statement by Medics.
We have received the following communication from the Shanghai Foreign Medical Practitioners' Association:

"In conformity with the increase in the cost of living, and in the greater cost of overhead charges, the local practitioners, through their recently formed Foreign Medical Practitioners' Association, have decided to raise their professional fees. This applies, in the case of private patients, to new contracts as from July 1.

"Thirty years ago the annual contract charge for an adult was Tls. 60, and for a child Tls. 30, which fee remains at the present rate of exchange to £4 10s. 0d. and £2 5s. 0d. respectively. The ordinary fee for a major operation at the present rate of exchange is equivalent to £18 to £25 and represents little more than the fee given to the anaesthetist in Britain. For a lesser operation, as for example, the removal of tonsils and adenoids, the fee charged locally is equivalent to £3 or £4, for which any reputable surgeon in Britain or America would charge not less than £25 to £50. In the case of confinements, which entail a considerable attendance and responsibility, the local fees run from £4 to £8—ridiculously low figures."

"The much greater distances doctors have to cover nowadays, which means loss of time and increased cost of location, the increase in office and private house rents, telephone charges, cost of transportation while on leave, local service charges are factors that call for the present need for raising fees in an endeavour to make them a more equitable remuneration for services the value of which can never be expressed in money alone."

"Even under the revised average increase of 25 per cent. in medical fees in Shanghai, the payments for services rendered especially under the contract system, is much less than is charged elsewhere."—Shanghai Times.

Assistance Committee. Man and wife are indomitably proud, and they will manage somehow until the bitter end.

COMMUNIST PARTY CONGRESS.

A Harmonious Session Likely.

THE INNER CIRCLE.

Moscow, June 17.
The Communist Party is now on the eve of the biennial Party Congress, which will hear the reports of Stalin and other leaders on important political and economic questions, pass appropriate resolutions, choose a new Central Committee and Control Commission, and generally polish up the Party apparatus for another two years of functioning.

It only because of its large size the Party Congress seldom assumes an active initiative in inaugurating new policies; and there seems little reason to doubt that the general report, which is habitually delivered by Stalin and the specialised reports on subjects as industry, agriculture, trade union work, etc., will be unanimously accepted by the Congress and translated into corresponding resolutions.

In 1925, when Zinoviev was still a power in Leningrad, this tradition to the Fourteenth Party Congress voted solidly for Zinoviev and Kamenev, who were then in opposition. Nothing of this kind is likely to disturb the harmony of the impending Sixteenth Party Congress, however.

Internal Squabbles Quelled.
But, if no great sensations or surprises are to be anticipated as a result of the deliberations at the Congress, its preparation and convening nevertheless represent an important political event, which for several preliminary weeks absorbed much of the energy of the Communist Party leaders.

To-day no organised group is fighting against the Party leadership with the vigour and intensity which Trotsky's adherents displayed in 1927. But the difficulties of everyday life, especially in the field of food supply, require a constant campaign of explanation and agitation on the part of the Communist leaders, even though no important political figure is to-day openly challenging the correctness of the Party policy. Nine-tenths of the criticism that crops up in workers' meetings and at Communist Party local branch meetings is of a "right" character.

Food Difficulties.
The two main causes of rank-and-file discontent with the present Party policy are the difficult situation as regards supply with food and certain manufactured goods and the excesses which occurred in forcing the peasants into collective farms last winter. The spokesmen for the Central Committee answer the first criticism by representing the difficulties as transitory and as part of the price which must be paid for the rapid industrialisation of the country.

The new Political Bureau, or inner steering council of nine, which guides the deliberations of the Central Committee and which will be re-elected after the Congress, will quite probably reveal some changes. Three of its former members—Premier Rykov, the former head of the trade unions; Tomsky and the former editor of "Pravda," Bukharin, have been tainted with "right deviationism"; and Bukharin has already been expelled from membership. Among the likely candidates for promotion to this Communist inner council are Stalin's fellow-councillors, Mikoyan and Ordzhonikidze, who both occupy responsible posts, the former as Commissar for Trade, and the latter as head of the Workers' and Peasants' Inspection.

IS YOUR NAME HERE?

Mail has been received at the American Consulate General for the following persons:

Geo. A. Allan, Miss F. Bostwick, R. Caldwell, Mrs. T. Chamberlain, J. A. Conley, R. G. Cooper, V. H. Donnelly, H. C. Evans, Fish, Mrs. M. C. Foster, F. Hamilton, Mrs. L. W. Hoffecker, W. R. Kendall, Mrs. G. H. Kosten, S. Madrinan, G. F. Montz, J. Murphy, W. C. Gekland, Miss A. Riggin, G. B. Rogers, Miss M. Root, Sadie, L. I. Simpson, Mrs. K. Smith, A. B. Taylor, R. L. Telger, G. L. Townsend.

TIENTSIN FOOD SUPPLY.

Peking, Sunday.
As a result of the ban on the transportation of food-stuffs to Tientsin, the province of Hopei is now experiencing shortage of rice and other staple food.

The inhabitants of the province have now organised a Famine Relief Association, which decided to place orders for rice at Shanghai for Tientsin, shipment via Dairen. —Canton Gazette.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Entertainments.
To-day — Queen's Theatre.
"Nix on Dames."
To-day — Star Theatre.
"Side Show of Life."
To-day — World Theatre.
"Westward Ho."
To-day — Majestic Theatre.
"Tillie's Punctured Romance."
To-day — Central Theatre.
"Charming Sinners."
August 7—Wellington Barracks Concert, 8.30 p.m.
August 8—Volunteer Headquarters Concert, 9.30 p.m.

Home Mails.
To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Aeneas).

Lammerts' Auctions.
August 7—At Sales Room, Duddell Street, postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.
August 8—At Sales Room, Duddell Street, household furniture, etc., 2.30 p.m.

Sports.
See Special Sports Diary on page 8.

Meetings.
To-day—Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

To-morrow—Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., extraordinary meeting, Exchange Building, 11.30 a.m.

Miscellaneous.
August 8—Hong Kong C.C. "at Home," 5.30 p.m.

PRINCE IN PLANE CRASH.

Smash Ends Attempt to Beat Records.

Sofia, July 11.
A young Roumanian, Prince Ghika, who set out from Bicester, Leicestershire, in a single-seater Gipsy Moth aeroplane in an attempt to beat the record for a non-stop flight in a straight line, crashed at Belevan, Roumania.

He was badly injured, and now lies in hospital.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

"CHARMING SINNERS" AT THE CENTRAL.

MARITAL ADVENTURES.

Seldom has any audience had such a good time watching a motion picture as the Central Theatre audience had last night while watching the marital adventures of Ruth Chatterton and Clive Brook in Paramount's all-talking comedy drama, written by W. Somerset Maugham, "Charming Sinners."

A sparkling, intimate story of married life beautifully acted by a group of outstanding cinema stars, made of "Charming Sinners" a particularly lively and entertaining show. Smart dialogue and clever repartee keep audiences on the qui vive throughout the play. It is a new revelation in talking screen entertainment.

Ruth Chatterton, as the wise wife, tired of her husband's philandering, decides to punish him, once and for all. She chooses the dignified method of repaying him in his own coin by pretending to give her affections to an old admirer, William Powell. She fools her husband in clever fashion, reawakens some of the romance which appeared dead to her for ever, and brings about a readjustment in her home which no amount of scandal or ranting could accomplish. Clive Brook, as the husband, reveals new talents. In a splendid characterisation, Mary Nolan, as the "other" woman, is delightful.

A group of auxiliary players, recruited from the stage, including Laura Hope Crews, Florence Eldridge and Juliette Cresty, are artfully cast.

"Charming Sinners" is the second Maugham drama to be filmed by Paramount, the first being "The Letter" with Jeanne Eagels, and never has this famous dramatist shone to such advantage as he does on the talking screen. For a delightful evening's entertainment, see "Charming Sinners."

DANCER AT THE STAR.

In Rowina and Dandolo, who will be playing at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, from to-day in conjunction with the feature drama, "The Side Show of Life," starring Ernest Torrence and Anna Q. Nilsson, Star patrons will have opportunity of seeing two very clever dancers. This is the first time this dancing pair have been east of Suez, and in their repertoire they have some striking items.

Particularly daring and clever are the acrobatic dances, and their classical and costume dances are stated to be of the highest standard.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of 40 Cents per Share has been declared payable on WEDNESDAY, 27th AUGUST next, on and after which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained upon application at the Registered Office of the Company, Canal Road East, Bowrington, Hong Kong.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 13th AUGUST to TUESDAY, 26th AUGUST, 1930, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

W. F. SIMMONS, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 5th August, 1930.

PUBLIC AUCTION

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON THURSDAY, August 7, 1930, commencing at 5.15 p.m., at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Valuable Collection of POSTAGE STAMPS

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LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, August 5, 1930.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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The Steamship, "BENLIDI"

Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of The Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th instant will be subject to rent. All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 25th instant, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 9th instant, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hong Kong, 4th August, 1930.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

LLOYD ROYAL-BELGE S.A.

From ANTWERP.

The Steamship, "PATAGONIER"

having arrived, Consignees of cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous godowns of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 11th August, 1930, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the vessel must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 18th August, 1930, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 11th August, 1930, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by THE BANK LINE LTD., Agents.

Hong Kong, 4th August, 1930.

"CHARLEY'S AUNT."

AUTHOR'S WIDOW LEAVES \$22,000.

Mrs. Marguerite Blanche Brandon-Thomas, of Gordon Square, Bloomsbury, widow of Walter Brandon-Thomas, the author of "Charley's Aunt," left estate in her own disposition of the gross value of £26,563 9s. 2d., with net personality £22,801 4s. 6d.

She gave her trustees full power to deal with her interests in plays or dramatic or musical compositions or theatrical properties, but directed that one half of the profits should be treated as capital and one half as income. The residue is to be held on trust for her three children in equal shares, with remainder as they may appoint.

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Sport Columns

TOURISTS DO WELL AT SWANSEA.

Good Bowling by Ryan
Causes Collapse.

BRADMAN AND JACKSON.

Swansea, Yesterday.
Continuing their innings to-day the Australians fared badly before the bowling of Ryan, losing eight wickets for 96 runs.

Yesterday's total of 149-2 promised a big score but so well did Ryan bowl that he captured 6 wickets for 76 runs. Don Bradman and Archie Jackson showed good form, both scoring half-centuries, the former 58 and the latter 53.

Glamorgan just succeeded in avoiding the follow-on by 4 runs. C. V. Grimmett claimed 4 wickets for 34 runs. At the close of play the tourists held a lead of 164 runs with all their second innings' wickets in hand.

Scores:—

Australians: .. 245 and 18-0

Glamorgan: .. 99

—Reuter.

TEST TEMPERAMENT

A POPULAR TERM WITHOUT
A DEFINITION.

"What exactly is this Test match temperament that we hear so much about? How do you define it?" I bowed this "wrong" un at Mr. Hugh Trumble, and he found it almost unplayable. Though it did not "get" him, he was unable to play it with a satisfactory definition.

But this great cricketer—he has taken more wickets in Tests than any other man—supplied a clue to the problem by the manner in which he met the situation. There was a "Test match temperament" in that "I can only define it as the opposite of 'Testitis'," he said.

"And what is 'Testitis'?" "That can best be defined as the opposite of the Test match temperament."

Syd Gregory, An Example.
We seemed to have reached about the last wicket in the dialogue when Mr. Trumble made a stand. "Did you ever see Syd. Gregory play?" he asked. "Now, Gregory is the man in whom you will find the most complete answer to your question. He had more of the 'Test temperament' than any of the great men I can recall."

"I once saw him facing two fast bowlers. The balls were rising and he never felt pain until, after having made a good score, he came back to the pavilion. His legs were black and blue—a mass of bruises—and he could hardly walk for a week. Other men would have wilted under the first injury, but not Gregory."

"The 'Test temperament' varies according to the man, but generally it is an attribute, whether natural or cultivated, that enables a cricketer to meet any crisis unruffled and to do that 'extra bit' which means so much to his side."

"And now, what about 'Testitis'?" "That term, I think," said Mr. Trumble, "was coined by Spofforth. It is the nervousness to which men, ordinarily calm, and with their emotions strongly curbed, give way in a Test match."

"I have seen a man—put his pads on upside down. I have seen other men, waiting their turn to go in, absolutely unable to watch the play, and fretting in the dressing rooms. A nervous man may at the crucial moment exhibit the 'Test temperament'—but generally that virtue is derived from an absence of nerves, as we call it. The importance of an occasion will affect men in unaccountable ways."

Mr. Trumble added, without particularising, that the present Australian Test team was well endowed with "Test temperament."

Every man could not possess his share of it, but, as a team, the side was strong in the right quality.

"Test temperament is not only a term applicable to cricket," said Mr. Trumble. "You find the same thing under other names in all branches of sport and all walks of life. You know the man who at billiards can do just the right thing at the right moment; and you have seen the other fellow who, for some inexplicable reason, fails at the critical moment. It is the same with footballers; the same with racing. It is something in the man that counts."

"Bradman is the perfect example," said Mr. Vernon Ransford,

RUGBY TEST IN A SNOWSTORM.

Britain Win in Last
Minute.

MORLEY'S GREAT TRY.

The British Rugby touring team scored a great victory at Dunedin in mail week, defeating the All Blacks by two tries (6 points) to one try (3 pts.).

At half-time they had led by one try to nil.

A crowd of fully 30,000 assembled to see New Zealand beaten on the Carisbrooke ground for the first time, the six previous international matches there having all gone in their favour.

Hundreds of people walked about the streets during the night, and hours before the gates were opened there were long queues in the drizzling rain.

It began to snow an hour before the start, and when play began the ground was in a sodden state, and a cold cross wind was blowing. Britain won the toss, and a good kick into touch by Hodgson took them well into the New Zealand half. Batty relieved with a fine burst, and was well stopped by Bassett.

Spong with an elusive run resumed the attack, but Nepia soon brought him down.

From a free kick for a scrum infringement Nepia found touch at

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the half-way line. New Zealand, however, were penalised, and Bowcott returned.

A Brilliant Try.

Spong punted to Reeve, who gathered the ball cleanly and ran thirty yards to score a brilliant try in the corner. Black failed.

Hodgson made a great run and, after galloping about thirty yards, passed to Bowcott, who cut through. His pass, however, was dropped. Britain were having the better of the game. Morley was well tackled. Britain attacked again, but Lucas and Cooke broke through. Bowcott relieving with a fine kick.

Half-time: Britain, 3 pts.; New Zealand, 0.

The snow, which fell during the whole of the first half, ceased. A freshening wind helped New Zealand, and their forwards attacked. Finlayson passed out to Mill, who swung the ball back into the middle. Hart dashed for the line and, with Reeve failing to hold him, he went over to equalise. Nepia's kick rebounded from the post.

Ivor Jones's Winning Dash.
The dashing All Blacks forwards were now playing a vastly improved game, but fine bouts of passing by the British saw Morley and Reeve just kept out.

Beamish put Britain on the attack but Mill found touch. Parker got badly offside, and Nepia gained a lot of ground. Cooke punted ahead and Bassett was penalised but Nepia failed with a match-winning chance.

Mill tried to burst through from a line-out at the British corner but was smothered, and the British forwards cleared.

The All Blacks fought back, but suddenly Ivor Jones intercepted a pass and raced down the field.

Reaching Nepia he passed to Morley, who in a great race beat Cooke to score a runaway try in the corner. Black missed, and the whistle immediately ended a thrilling game.

when the temperament question was put to him.

Mr. Ransford, who is one of the three Australians who have made a century in their first Test at Lord's, thinks that "Test temperament" is the main ingredient in Bradman's make-up.

"The lad is absolutely without nerves. He has no fear," he explained. "Like Mr. Trumble, I cannot tell you in so many words what the thing is, but I know it as soon as we see it. The man who has it will not only become rattled under stress, but he will excel himself in circumstances in which failure would be excusable. Trumper had it to a marked degree. And what about 'Hobbs'?"

BRITISH GOLF IS IMPROVING.

Lessons of the Open
Championship.

One thing was quite definitely established during the Open Championship at Hoylake: that was the remarkable improvement in the standard of golf played in this country, (writes T. H. Cotton in the Evening News).

When one comes to think that Mr. Bobby Jones, who is without doubt the world's greatest golfer, was able to produce figures, which looked good—even for him—and then see that some of the British players were able to keep within a stroke or two of him all the time, it is not only a tribute to Mr. Jones, but also a great compliment to the British golfer.

Our golf has passed through that lean period when championship slipped out of this country almost without any effort on our part, and in future we may anticipate something of a real battle with our American visitors before they take away the world's championship.

The British Open Championship, which is virtually the open championship of the world since it generally attracts the strongest players from America and other parts, is just about the hardest test of a golfer's ability that it is possible to imagine. To play six rounds of golf without having a really bad hole even, and to keep on getting par figures for a whole week, is the greatest test of a man's skill at the game that it is possible to devise.

This Amazing Championship.

There were some disappointments in this amazing championship at Hoylake. Several men whom we had hoped would do well found the pace in the qualifying competition a little hot, and the first thirty-six holes of the championship proper, called for scores just about equal with par to even have any sort of chance at all.

Had the old rule obtained whereby those players' fifteen strokes or more behind the leader at the end of the first two rounds were compulsorily reeled from the remainder of the championship, there would have been a field of about forty years in the final stages.

This may appear to be very few, but it should be taken into consideration that the leader, Mr. Jones, had a score for thirty-six holes which must be a record for two consecutive rounds for Hoylake. He equalled the record on the first round and was one stroke above it on the second, and in spite of this there were many of the British players who were almost on his heels when the last day's play commenced.

The British Players.
The championship which has just concluded has not disgraced British players as others in recent years may have done. There were some players who had a lower score for four rounds than has been previously accomplished by a winner of a championship on this course, and yet they had to be content with comparatively minor places in the championship list.

A score of 301, with which Walter Hagen won the championship here, was completely out of the running. We may still have something to learn from America in the matter of driving. We have taken it to heart that the United States player is a master at rolling three shots into two by good approaching and putting; and we have improved our short game out of all knowledge. But from the tee we have not progressed very far.

I do not think that Mr. Jones once drove a ball out of bounds all the week, and there were very few players who can say the same thing.

Fred Robson, to whom all British golfers pay tribute, drove better than anybody on the dead line and a good length.

Robson claims that steel-shafted clubs have done this for him, but he is such an artist as a golfer that I think it is his modesty which attributes success to his clubs instead of his own skill.

Robson's Earliest Golf.

Robson is one of the most popular men in the game, and it was especially pleasing to him to do well at Hoylake, where, as a caddy, he played his earliest golf.

When, as a tall, sandy-haired youth, he came into big golf and had the temerity to defeat the great John Henry Taylor on his own course at a time when the old champion was in his heyday, people began to ask: "Who is this youth?" Before very long he answered by showing what a good golfer he is.

Whatever may be said to the contrary, I am satisfied that the British golfers did well in the championship. Had Mr. Jones not been there what a scramble it would have been for the title!

But the great Bobby is not a golfer. He is an infallible machine.

ENGLISH TEST TEAM FOR S. AFRICA.

Chapman to Lead Strong
Side.

London, July 18.
The M.C.C. Test team to tour South Africa has been selected as follows:—Chapman (Captain), White, Allom, Wyatt, Peebles, Maurice Turnbull, Duckworth, Voce, Goddard, Tate, Hendren, Hammond, Leyland, Ames and Sandham.

All invitations are subject to a satisfactory medical examination, and professionals to their Counties' approval.

Our Sports Diary

LOCAL

Lawn Tennis—Wednesday—Mixed Doubles—Club de Recreio v. University.

Water Polo—Wednesday—Division I.—Chinese Bathing Club v. R.A.; Division II.—Somerset v. Fukien Club.

Friday—Division I.—Chinese Athletic v. Navy; Division II.—12th Heavy Battery v. University.

Monday—Division I.—Somerset v. V.R.C. Aquatics—Saturday—V.R.C. Night Fete.

Lawn Bowls—Saturday—Division I.—Kowloon Dock v. Taikoo; Craigengower v. Civil Service; Kowloon Bowling Green Club v. Police; Kowloon C.C. v. Club de Recreio; Division II. Club de Recreio v. Electric R.C.; Taikoo v. Kowloon C.C.; Civil Service v. Kowloon Bowling Green Club; Yacht Club v. Craigengower.

Golf—August 8—Happy Valley Championship and Captain's Cup.

Racing—September 27—Seventh Extra Race Meeting. October 10 and 11—Eighth Extra Race Meeting.

Football—Friday—Annual Meeting of Hong Kong Football Club, Jardine, Matheson's Board Room, 5.30 p.m.

October 1—Entries close for Challenge Shield.

HOME

Cricket—August 16-20—Fifth Test Match, The Oval, London.

GOLF

HAPPY VALLEY SUMMER MEETING.

The full results of the Happy Valley Summer meeting are as follows:—

Championship of Happy Valley. W. M. Thomson (wins) 75+70=154

Other scores:—J. D. Thomson (second prize) 74+80=154

J. D. Thomson (2nd prize) 74+80=154

R. Young 79+78=157

F. J. de Rome 79+83=162

W. M. Thomson wins the tie owing to having the better score over the second 18 holes.

36 players took out cards.

Captain's Cup [August Qualifying Round.] J. D. Thomson (qualifies) 74+10=84

Other scores:—E. M. Hanlon 85+15=70

W. A. Stewart 83+18=70

W. M. Thomson 75+3=72

R. Young 79+8=87

I. MacKnight 85+12=73

There were 33 entries.

Open Medal Round. [Under Handicap.] J. D. Thomson (first) 74+10=84

I. MacKnight (second) 81+12=89

(Last nine holes 37—6=31)

Other scores:—R. Young 75+6=89

(Last nine holes 39—8=39)

There were 54 entries.

The Junior section, Medal round, failed to attract sufficient entries was cancelled.

BASEBALL.

RESULTS OF LEAGUE MATCHES IN UNITED STATES.

New York, Yesterday.
The results of the matches played in the major Leagues to-day are as follows:—

National League.

Brooklyn 1 New York 0

Cincinnati 6 St. Louis 11

Cincinnati 3 St. Louis 6

Boston 5 Philadelphia 11

Boston 1 Philadelphia 4

Chicago 8 Pittsburgh 12

American League.

New York 9 Philadelphia 2

Washington 11 Boston 2

Washington 1 Boston 7

St. Louis 14 Cleveland 6

Detroit 4 Chicago 8

—Reuter's American Service.

events, which will continue in some cages, well into the autumn. Not the least attractive are the pageants and processions which have already begun, and are gorgeous in their colourful beauty.

A HUNDRED YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE.

Belgium Celebrates Her
Centenary.

Belgium is this year celebrating the centenary of its establishment as an independent nation, and it is doing so in a fashion commensurate with the importance of the occasion, writes a correspondent of the Sunday Times on June 21. A great round of events, planned in all the principal centres of industrial and national life, is already taking place, with the active participation of all the members of the royal family, and distinguished visitors from various European countries.

Particular interest is being displayed, however, in the visit next month of the Prince of Wales, who is expected to stay in Brussels, and in whose programme will be included a tour of the Antwerp Exhibition.

I have just concluded a round of visits to these various festivals, which has involved travelling practically the length and breadth of the country, and close touch with its people. Perhaps the most striking impression to be recorded is the astonishing way in which Belgium has recovered from the devastation of the War.

It is manifested both in the rebuilding of fabric and the obvious prosperity of the nation, with a standard of life considerably higher than that prevailing before the War, but more particularly in the great national festivities which, in less than twelve years after the Armistice, the Belgians have been able to organise. They are outward and visible signs of a people astonishingly vigorous, adaptable and industrious, who have bent all their energies, with remarkable success, to the reconstruction of their country.

A British Pavilion.
The Antwerp Exhibition is undoubtedly the principal feature of the celebrations. Here, in its commercial capital and national port, are wonderful illustrations of Belgian national life, industrial and artistic, and of the more than thirty other nations, representing Europe, Asia, America and Africa, which are participating.

The British Pavilion is in every respect worthy of the country. Architecturally one of the finest and most imposing buildings in the entire group, it presents a graphic picture of the place of Britain in world affairs, and tells in a series of striking tableaux some of the most important events which have gone to the making of the British race, from the Stone and Bronze Ages down to the Norman Conquest.

Many of our greatest industrial and commercial enterprises are also notably represented—particularly those engaged in the heavy industries, transport and the like. A mark of the popularity of the British exhibit may be gathered from the fact that a smarmy as 100,000 people a day pass through it—often, I was told, at the rate of 10,000 an hour.

One of the features of the Antwerp Exhibition is the more or less unofficial, but wholly delightful annex, "La Vieille Belgique," which is a faithful reconstruction of old Flemish and Walloon buildings as they existed 100 years ago. Here are houses, shops, cafes, and the like, built in the form of streets, with their occupants and keepers in the costume of the time.

A Missed Opportunity.
Although necessarily smaller, the Liege Exhibition is not less attractive. The famous Walloon city—the centre of a great industrial population totalling 500,000—concentrates upon science, industry, social economy, and agriculture, but there are also charming sections dealing with music and ancient Walloon art in all its branches.

Unfortunately Great Britain is not here worthily represented, there being only a few isolated and individual exhibits, whereas her most powerful competitors on the Continent have, for the most part, their own national pavilions. This missing of a big trade opportunity is all the more regrettable, for here one clearly sees the quite astonishing developments which Belgian industry and commerce have made in the past ten years.

A word or two must be said also about the exhibition of Belgian Art in Brussels, where one sees perhaps the finest collection of Belgian pictures which have ever been assembled, and especially a word about the charming little exhibition at Mons, the town which British troops were so intimately and memorably associated during the War. Here, perfectly catalogued and arranged, are examples of the art of Walloon painters, comparatively unknown.

But the national spirit and the national progress are represented in many other programmes of

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From	Per
TUESDAY, AUGUST 5	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London July 17)	Aeneas
Japan	Bingo Maru
Shanghai and Amoy	Tjikarang
Straits	Cremer
Japan	Melbourne Maru
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6	
Batavia	Borda
THURSDAY, AUGUST 7	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, July 12)	Shinyo Maru
FRIDAY, AUGUST 8	
Shanghai	Alderanian
Japan and Shanghai	Haruna Maru
SATURDAY, AUGUST 9	
Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers, London, July 10)	Kashima Maru
SUNDAY, AUGUST 10	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, July 11)	President Garfield
Amoy	Tjileboet
MONDAY, AUGUST 11	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, July 18)	President Grant
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., July 24)	Empress of Asia
Australia and Manila	Tanda
TUESDAY, AUGUST 12	
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OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per
TUESDAY, AUGUST 5	
Shanghai	Sinkiang 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, *E. and *S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Aeneas (Due Marseilles, September 5.)
K.P.O.	G.P.O.
Registration Aug. 5, 3 p.m.	Registration Aug. 5, 3.45 p.m.
Letters Aug. 5, 5 p.m.	Letters Aug. 5, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Nam Sang 5 p.m.
Swatow	Cremer 5 p.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Brisbane	Melbourne Maru (Due Brisbane, Aug. 19.)
Registration Aug. 5, 5 p.m.	Registration Aug. 5, 5 p.m.
Letters Aug. 6, 8.30 a.m.	Letters Aug. 6, 8.30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6	
Swatow	Hop Sang 8.30 a.m.
Manila and Java via Sourabaya	Tjikarang 10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Kum Sang
Registration Aug. 6, Noon	Registration Aug. 6, Noon
Letters Aug. 6, 1 p.m.	Letters Aug. 6, 1 p.m.
Swatow	Szechuen 12.30 p.m.
*Straits, East Africa via Mombasa and South Africa via Lourenco Marques and *South American Ports	Bingo Maru 2.30 p.m.
Salon	Telemachus 5 p.m.
Foochow via Swatow	Chip Shing 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and *Europe via Vancouver, B.C.	Empress of Japan (Due Vancouver, B.C., Aug. 22 and *Europe via Siberia.)
Registration Aug. 6, 5 p.m.	Registration Aug. 6, 5 p.m.
Letters Aug. 7, 9.15 a.m.	Letters Aug. 7, 9.15 a.m.
THURSDAY, AUGUST 7	
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Menado Maru 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea 3 p.m.
FRIDAY, AUGUST 8	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haining 2 p.m.
Shanghai	Tsinan 3.30 p.m.
Tourane	Chung Kong 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Egypt via Marseilles	Haruna Maru (Due Marseilles, Sept. 7.)
Registration Aug. 8, 4.30 p.m.	Registration Aug. 8, 4.30 p.m.
Letters Aug. 8, 5 p.m.	Letters Aug. 8, 5 p.m.
SATURDAY, AUGUST 9	
Holhow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Tean 8.30 a.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only

HARBIN NOTES.

REJUVENATION ON A DOG.

Harbin, July 18. Harbin doctors do not wish to be outdone by Paris and a few days ago Dr. Lindner made an experiment on a dog 14 years old. Many of the most prominent physicians of the town were present at the operation which Dr. Lindner explained fully. It will be about a month before results will be apparent and Harbin is waiting impatiently to see whether Harbin is equal to Paris in medical science. Other local doctors are being fired with the same idea and probably more experiments will be made.

Robbers in the Suburbs.

Yesterday afternoon the chief clerk of the Harbin Electric Administration and Tramway Company was attacked by bandits at his house situated on the main street of the largest suburb of Harbin. It seems that he had just received his salary of 600 dollars from the office and had put it away in a safe place in his room, and after reading a little, had lain down for an afternoon nap. The bandits had been watching him through the window and as soon as he fell asleep, they broke into the room through the mosquito net and at once went for the money. Mr. Wang, the chief clerk, called out, whereupon one of the bandits struck him a severe blow on the head with an axe. Before any of the neighbours discovered what had happened, the robbers got away. This victim is lying in the hospital in a hopeless condition.

A Typhoon of Great Violence.

On Friday night, quite unexpectedly, Harbin was struck by a terrible typhoon which blew with great violence for about quarter of an hour. Many boats and cutters were wrecked from their moorings, and in several cases, were lost. In the town signboards were flying about the streets, roofs were blown off and other damage done but not of a very serious nature. No person was drowned on the river owing to the Life Saving station giving warning and stopping boats going across. Such a storm has not been seen in Harbin since 1909.

Clearing the Sungari of Pirates.

Owing to many reports having been spread that there are many hands of pirates on the Sungari river this season, the Chinese authorities have taken special measures to clear the district of such men. A special military detachment was formed to scour the banks of either side of the river and a number of camps were discovered, mostly situated a few miles inland in valleys too hidden among the trees. The soldiers under cover of gunboats, made an attack on these camps during the night, some severe fighting occurring. By means of strong projectors the whole of the district was well lit up, making it easy for the attackers to instantly discover any person trying to escape. Quite a number of the pirates were killed, while others were taken prisoners and have in some cases been executed. In the opinion of the authorities, nearly all, if not all, the gangs on the lower region of the river have been entirely wiped out and the authorities are now busy clearing up those which infest the upper reaches, commencing with Harbin. A few days ago an attack was made on a camp situated about 100 miles from Harbin. In this the crew of the gunboat "Tyangun" distinguished themselves, over 100 pirates being killed and wounded. The fight was a long and severe one, only a few of the bandits managing to escape. With the annihilation of this gang, it is thought that all the largest camps have been destroyed and the authorities are now making special arrangements for protecting the navigation of the river. Unfortunately there are not sufficient gunboats at present, but the Mukden government has decided to add to the river fleet and next season the whole stretch of the Sungari should be well guarded and pirates become a thing of the past. Deportation of an Undesirable. About five months ago a man named Bogateyeff arrived in Harbin

stating that he was a refugee from Soviet Russia and with many tales of the terrible condition of affairs there. The local authorities were rather suspicious of him, but finally permitted him to remain in Harbin. He opened a commission business under the name of "Motive Power" and it was not long before the police noticed that many suspicious persons visited him, and certain exchange speculations were traced to him. The authorities raided the office and demanding the keys of the safe, made an examination. Here they found many special cipher books, for use by telegram and telephone. As a result of the raid, the man Bogateyeff has been deported to Soviet Russia.—P. T. Times.

CLASHING OF GEARS.

Unfailing Remedy When Properly Applied.

The clashing of gears during the change and unpleasant drumming from the differential are indicative of premature old age, and are to a large extent, avoidable if proper treatment be given to the car. It is surprising the number of motorists who, when asked how frequently they change the oil in the gear box and differential, will look blank, and reply, "Never!" Yet it is in the simple process of regular oil changes that the avoidance of the troubles outlined above, or, perhaps, the more serious ones, may be accomplished.

A small amount of wear on the gear teeth and bearing surfaces must occur if the lubricant be left unchanged over too long a period, and this wear provides an abrasive in the shape of small metal particles circulated with the oil, which will accelerate the rate of wear. So also do the small amounts of road dirt, dust, and water that find their way in from outside. Under normal conditions of operation, excessive rate of wear may be avoided by completely draining out the oil every 5,000 miles, in both differential and gear box, and then refilling with a fresh, clean, highly quality oil.

DRIVING HOME FROM INDIA.

"About twelve months ago my friend Mr. S. G. Stubbs and I decided that on the occasion of our next leave we would go home to England from India, not by the usual boat nor by the novel air services, but by road," said Mr. J. A. R. Bromage, of the Indian Government Engineering Service. The occasion was a reception given by Mr. J. D. Siddley, C.B.E., in London in mail week immediately Mr. Bromage had brought his 20 h.p. Armstrong Siddley car to a stand at the end of the 6,000 miles journey.

"From Lahore the trek took 73 days, 41 of which were running days," continued Mr. Bromage. "We drove by Quetta, over a road which my fellow-traveller, Mr. Stubbs, had built in the War through Baluchistan to Meshed, crossing the Persian desert to Teheran, and thence through Bagdad, Damascus, and Beirut. Owing to loss of documents and misarrangement of permits the car was shipped to Athens, whence the journey was easily completed by way of Sofia, Belgrade, Budapest and Vienna to the coast and Dover. "For 1,000 miles there were no roads at all," Mr. Bromage went on, "and for that distance we drove on second and on first gears, being glad to make ten miles a day over the ruts and potholes. As our 80-cwt. car was overloaded with petrol for 450 miles of desert stages across Persia, as well as with water for that and the 550-mile stage from Bagdad to Quetta, making over two tons running weight, one of us had to lean over the car and judge the clearances. Yet we averaged 131 miles a day and 17.2 m.p.g. petrol consumption. The tyres sustained only two punctures, and we also used two spare spring leaves. The cost of the journey was in all £400."

EXCHANGES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—	
Bank, wire	1/3 3/4
Bank, on demand	1/3 3/4
Bank, 4 months' sight	1/3 3/4
Credit, 4 months' sight	1/3 15/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/4 1/16
On Paris—	
On demand	785
Credit, 4 months' sight	825
On New York—	
On demand	31
Credit, 60 days' sight	32 1/2
On Bombay—	
On demand	85 1/4
On Calcutta—	
On demand	85 1/4
On Singapore—	
On demand	55
On Manila—	
On demand	62 1/4
On Shanghai—	
On demand	Tls. 83
Dollar	11 1/4 dis.
On Yokohama—	
On demand	62 1/4
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	1/3 3/4
Silver (per oz.)	15 1/2
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	3% dis.
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	3% prem.
Rate of Native Interest	4% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	23% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	Par.

WATER RETURN

The level and storage of water in our reservoirs on July 1 is as under—

City and Hill District.	1929	1930
Tydam	37' 2" B	7' 0" B
Tydam Byewash	25' 7" B	12' 5" B
Tydam Intermediate	63' 2" B	6' 9" B
Tydam Tuck	104' 4" B	41' 8" B
Wong Nei Chung	39' 7" B	20' 8" B
Fokfulum	32' 1" B	15' 10" B
(Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow"; L. denotes "Level with Overflow.")		
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.	1929	1930
Tydam	141.14	327.30
Tydam Byewash	53	7.79
Tydam Intermediate	3.52	159.78
Tydam Tuck	15.68	603.75
Wong Nei Chung	80	9.40
Fokfulum	5.92	32.32

Total 168.59 1,140.32

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of June.

	1929	1930
Consumption	115.26	841.99
Estimated population	433,420	443,740
Consumption per head per day	8.8	25.7
*Includes 64.14 million gallons from Mainland.		

June, 1929.—Principal Main Supply opened from 6—10 a.m. and 3—6 p.m. from 1st—17th inclusive. From 18th—24th inclusive the hours of supply were 6—9 a.m. and 3—6 p.m. From 25th—30th inclusive the hours of supply from 5—8 a.m. and 6—9 p.m. (Peak District 4 hours daily).

June, 1930.—Constant Supply during the whole month of district North of Queen's Road between Murray Road and Eastern Street. 12-hour supply from 1st—17th inclusive. In all other districts from 1st—17th inclusive. 16 hours supply (5 a.m.—9 p.m.) in all other districts from 18th—30th inclusive.

Kowloon.

	1929	1930
Kowloon Reservoir 30' 7" B	7' 6" B	
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir 34' 11" B	8' 1" B	
Reception Reservoir 5' 8" B	2' 7" B	
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.	1929	1930
Kowloon Reservoir	76.70	278.88
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	15.45	85.61
Reception Reservoir	19.15	28.40
Total	111.30	392.89
Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of June.	1929	1930
Consumption	62.53	185.14
Estimated population	170,740	176,780
Consumption per head per day	12.1	25.6
June, 1929.—From 1st—4th inclusive the supply was shut off nightly from 6 p.m.—8 a.m. From 5th—23rd inclusive a supply of 6 hours per day was given. From 24th—30th inclusive the daily supply to all districts was from 6 a.m.—3 p.m. Constant supply in all districts during June, 1930.		
Total rainfall: June 30, 1929, 14.38; June 30, 1930, 31.42.		
The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.		

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Opening Daily Official Quotations 5th August, 1930.

STOCK	Buy-ers	Sell-ers	Sales	Nom.	Fin. year	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	1515	Dec.	[Interim 2 1/2 a/c 1929] Aug. 11, 30
Chartered Bank	17 1/2	Dec.	[Final 7 1/2 bonus 6 1/2 free 1/2 tax a/c 1929] Apr. 2, 30
Mercantile Bk., A.B. & C.	38 1/2	Dec.	[Final 2 1/2 a/c 1929 less 1/2 tax] Apr. — 30
Bank of Asia	121	Dec.	23 for 1929 Feb. 23, 30
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	245	Dec.	[Final 2 1/2 for 1929] May 15, 30
Union Ins.	453	...	440	...	Dec.	[Interim 8 1/2 a/c 1929] May 30, 30
China Underwriters	265	Dec.	[Interim 2 1/2 a/c 1929] May 30, 30
China Fire Ins.	400	...	...	...	Dec.	None
H. K. Fire Ins.	955	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 2 1/2 bonus 2 1/2] May 30, 30
Shipping.						
Douglases	26	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929
H. K. Steamboats	24 1/2	25 1/2	...	...	Dec.	21-50 for 1929 Mar. 4, 30
Indo-China (Pref.)	48	...	Dec.	[2 1/2 ex. 2 1/2 on preferred] June 19, 30
Shell Transports	95 7/8	...	Dec.	[Final 2 1/2 a/c 1929] July 8, 30
Union Waterboats	32	...	Dec.	21-50 for 1929 Mar. 10, 30
Mining.						
Benguet	8 1/2	...	Dec.	Interim 15 centavo a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Kailan Mining Ad. s/	31 3/8	...	June	[Interim 15 free 1/2 tax] June — 30
Langkat	9 1/2	...	Oct.	[Group No. 31 year 31-30] May 8, 30
S'hai Exploration	1.80	...	...	...	Dec.	None
Loans	6 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim T. 0.25 a/c 1929 July 1, 30
Raubs	29 1/2	...	...	Mar.	Final 1 1/2 a/c year 31-30 June 19, 30
Troonh Mines	Dec.	Interim 4 1/2 less tax Mar. 31, 30
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & K. Wharves	Dec.	23 for 1929 Mar. 13, 30
H. K. & W. Docks	30	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929
China Provident	540	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929
Hongkew	260	...	Dec.	Final T. 12 a/c 1929 Mar. 31, 30
N. Engineering	7 1/2	Dec.	T. 0.50 for 1929 Feb. 25, 30
Shanghai Docks	117	x div.	...	...	Apr.	T. 7 for year 31-30 July 30, 30
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
H. K. & S. Hotels	11	...	Dec.	30 cents for 1929 Apr. 7, 30
H. K. Lands	84 1/2	...	Dec.	Interim 2 1/2 a/c 1929 Aug. 3, 30
Shanghai Lands	x div.	257	...	Dec.	Interim T. 3 a/c 1930 July 31, 30
Humphreys	164	...	Dec.	30 cents for 1929 May 7, 30
H. K. Realities	3.85	9	3.10	...	Dec.	Final 20. cents a/c 1929 Mar. 24, 30
Chinese Estates	87	Feb.	23 for year 23-30 July 31, 30
Cotton Mills.						
Ewo Cottons	11.30	...	Dec.	Final T. 2 a/c 1929 Mar. 17, 30
Shanghai Cotton	78	Dec. (And Oct.)	[T. 3-25 old] for half year [T. 3-25 new] 30-31-30 May 23, 30
Zoong Sing	9	June	T. 0.50 for year 31-30 Oct. 11, 29
Public Utilities.						
H. K. Tramways	19 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 20 cents a/c 1929 Mar. 18, 30
Peak Tram (old)	12 1/2	...	Apr.	[30 cts. on old] for year [30 cts. on new] 30-31-30 June 15, 30
Star Ferries	86	Dec.	21 for 1929 Feb. 14, 30
China Light (old)	25 1/2	...	Sept.	Int. 25 cts. a/c yr. 30-31 May 12, 30
H. K. Electric	70 1/2	...	Dec.	21-50 for 1929 Mar. 12, 30
Macao	28	Dec.	None
Sandakan Light	Dec.	Int. [10 cents] a/c 1930 Aug. 1, 30
H. K. Tels. (fully paid)	Dec.	T. 0.50 for 1929 Feb. 25, 30
China Buses	Sept.	[1 1/2 on preference shares] Feb. 6, 30
S'pore Tractions (Ord. s/)	10 1/2	...	Sept.	[Subject to income tax]
Industrials.						
China Sugars	1	...	In Liquidation
Malayan Sugars	27	Dec.	P. 2 for 1929 Apr. 11, 29
Cald. Macg. Ord.	10 1/2	...	[2 0.50 on 7 months 1929] Apr. 30, 30
Canton Ice	9 1/2	July	None
Cements (com.)	18.30	...	Dec.	[30 cents on old] [10 cents on new] for 1929 Mar. 19, 30
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MISTAKES WISE MEN MAKE.

Disraeli's Experience with Idolised Youth.

BALFOUR AND CHURCHILL.

A characteristically interesting article was recently contributed to the Evening Standard, by A.A.B.

In the great business of owning, breeding, training, and riding horses it is remarkable how few men in any of these categories can spot a winner; while the tipster of some newspaper, or some young jockey, or even some constant student of pedigree and racing "form," is amazingly right.

What is true of horses is true of men in the longer race of life. It is astonishing what mistakes clever men make in casting the horoscopes of the young men treading on their heels, though their misjudgments of their contemporaries is less surprising, because jealousy, the most universal human passion, interfere there to cloud the reason.

This train of philosophy was awakened in my mind by reading the "Diaries of R. D. B.," which interested and amused me much, both because they cover a period which I find most difficult to remember—namely, that of twenty or thirty years ago—and because they record with honest candour the mistaken judgments of one of the clearest and coolest Editors of the day, without a spark of party prejudice or personal rancour.

I am not alluding to trivial blunders, amusing as they are, such, for instance, as the delusion that the "Guineas" are run in October and that Long's Hotel stood in Berkeley Square. I am referring to the fact that Mr. R. D. B. Blumenfeld should have made the acquaintance of F. E. Smith, Lloyd George, Baldwin, and Haldane in their first appearance on the town and thought nothing more of any of them than that they were promising colts.

Errors of Judgment.

On two of them, indeed, he was more specific and more wrong. Mr. Lloyd George, he thought, was too highly strung; too fragile and feverish, to stay the race. Mr. Baldwin, he prophesied, would succeed to his father's seat at Bewdley and do little else than vote for his party. Of Lord Birkenhead's mental calibre, which is really extraordinary, he discerned little but the pertness and fluency of the ordinary successful barrister who subsides into a pulpit judgment.

I propose to show that cleverer men than Mr. Blumenfeld, with

greater opportunities of judging, have made grosser errors of judgment. And I do not submit my quotations as Mr. Blumenfeld's very words, his book having passed out of my hands, but as the substance of them.

Disraeli's Slips.

Disraeli was unfortunate with his young men, for, having made himself famous at twenty-five by a novel, and Leader of the Tory Party at forty-four, he confounded youth with genius. There never was anyone who combined realism with idealism so persistently as Lord Beaconsfield. He idolised youth, and consequently idealized it.

In practice the results were sometimes unhappy. He was very fond of Lord Henry Lennox, a pleasant-mannered but empty-headed young aristocrat. He used to send Lord Henry first editions, and wrote him the most affectionate and amusing letters, treating him as an equal. When, in 1867, Disraeli was called upon to form his first Government, he appointed Lennox Commissioner of Works, of course without a seat in the Cabinet. "Dear Henry" turned upon his chief with fury because he wasn't made Cabinet Minister, and the intimacy ceased.

The second mistake was more disastrous. Disraeli took young Ralph Earle from the Diplomatic Service and made him his private secretary, employing him, it must be admitted, in a questionable way, as a diplomatic detective, sending him on secret missions abroad. The young man's head was turned; and his chief having procured him a seat in Parliament and a minor office, a fancied slight changed the favourite into a rebel, who made a bitter speech against the Prime Minister.

Earle disappeared from England and from politics, and "engaged in a successful financial career in the Near East," according to Buckle, where he shortly afterwards died.

Disraeli was much upset by his second mistake in picking out a young man; but characteristically he didn't change his method of selection, which was guided by good looks and good manners. This time, he drew a prize. Wandering about Baby Castle on a wet afternoon, he entered a room where Monty Corry was amusing the ladies with a banjo and steps that Leslie Henson might have envied. That evening the great Sphinx overwhelmed the gay young Irishman by saying in sepulchral tones, "You must come and be my impresario."

All the world knows how that partnership succeeded. But it was pure luck.

Balfour, Asquith and Bonar Law. We all know by this time that Arthur Balfour despised and underrated Winston Churchill as a young M.P., sneering at his prepared speeches, until he drove the lad into the Liberal camp, where he was received with open arms. We have also learned from a great lady that when Bonar Law suddenly retired a few weeks before his death Lord Balfour rushed up from Scotland, by air, or motor, or night express, to advise the putting aside of Lord Curzon and the appointment of Mr. Baldwin as Prime Minister.

Mr. Asquith could see nothing in Mr. Bonar Law, who was not bred in the Eton or Oxford kennel. This failure to appreciate the latent force of Mr. Bonar Law ruined Mr. Asquith, and cost him the Premiership, the leadership of the Liberal Party, and reduced him, cruellest humiliation of all, to sue unsuccessfully from Mr. Lloyd George a place at the Paris Conference.

After the landslide of 1906 both Haldane and Asquith laughed at "the little Welsh attorney," who came to rule them all, until he himself was turned out by a quiet man called Baldwin, whom few people outside the House of Commons had ever heard of.

In 1917 Prime Minister George described Kerenski to a meeting of editors as "a splendid fellow, the St. Just of the Russian Revolution." Professor J. H. Morgan, K. C., in his fascinating monograph on Lord Morley has preserved one precious judgment, and two utterly wrong forecasts made by that observant statesman. Almost immediately after the declaration of war in 1914, Morley remarked to Professor Morgan, "Asquith is not going to be the pilot that will weather this storm," a strikingly sagacious prophecy.

But Morley, like most writers, overvalued the men of decisive action and strong words. He thought Mr. Winston, F. E., and Lloyd George came to understand one another, and got together, such a triumvirate would rule the world. This, it is fair to add, was in the middle of the war. When, in 1922, the news of the break-up of the Coalition reached Wimbledon, Mr. Morgan asked Lord Morley what he felt about it, and was answered, "I feel like opening a bottle of champagne."

Such are the follies of the wise. I will end by a story against myself. When I left Wellington, Oct. 13, my tutor presented me with a breakfast-table accompanied by a letter which ended thus: "I hope you will be a good citizen, as I know you will be a great one. Why I am, neither I, as Kipling would say, 'another story'."

ST. PAUL'S IN ALL ITS GLORY.

King and 100 Bishops at the Re-opening.

REPAIRS FINISHED.

Eighteen years ago a Bill was introduced into Parliament to sanction the building of an underground tramway tunnel exactly under the East end of St. Paul's Cathedral. Not without effort the project was defeated; and the Dean and Chapter were derided as scare-mongers by the supporters of the Bill.

Their answer to the critics was to have an elaborate examination made of the fabric, which resulted in the starting of a work of repair greater than any under taken in an English cathedral church. The danger was not immediate; but the building was, in Sir Aston Webb's words, "in danger of becoming dangerous," which was a storm signal clear enough for the Dean and Chapter to understand and to act on.

For thirteen years they have been carrying out a policy at once consistent and successful, to disregard alike the alarmist and the armchair critic, and to concentrate on the work regarded as of first importance by their own experts—the strengthening of the central structure, especially of the piers on which rests the vast weight of the dome.

That task has now been completed. The work has had its crises and difficulties. Comic relief was afforded by the serving of a "dangerous structure" notice on the Dean and Chapter, "as if," in Canon Alexander's words, "they were the owner of a small shop in Aldersgate Street or Cheapside." For some little time the more timid were frightened away from public worship in the cathedral, under the impression that at any moment the building might collapse over their heads; nervous passengers on West-bound buses felt safer when the bottom of Ludgate Hill was reached; and when, on the last day of March, 1925, all the space under the dome was closed, it was necessary for the Treasurer to announce that the step had been taken, not because there was any danger, but in order to speed up the pace of the repairs.

Policy Justified.

The policy has been justified; and in mail week in the presence of the King, of over a hundred bishops, and of representatives of many diverse branches of the national life—including the workmen whose handicraft has made the restoration possible—thanksgivings will be offered under the dome for the "glory of the House," and for the benefactors, known and unknown, whose generosity has ensured it.

For two persons especially it will be a day of supreme joy; for Canon Alexander, Treasurer of the cathedral, on whom the burden of the long years' work has fallen, and who has borne it with a dignity, a courage, and a perseverance that are beyond criticism or praise. The other is a venerable, white-haired official whom every visitor to St. Paul's will remember. Five years ago, after the last service before the dismantling of the cathedral, Mr. Skinner, the head-verger, wondered sadly whether he would live to see St. Paul's restored to its former glory. He is still there; and there will be no happier man in the cathedral when he shoulders his silver wand and leads the procession from West Door to Sanctuary, through the greatest congregation that St. Paul's, in all its great history, has ever known.

How the Task was Accomplished.

One learns that the problem was not one of foundations, as was commonly supposed, for the foundations are reasonably safe providing the water-bound nature of the sub-strata is not interfered with; but one dealing solely with the support of the dome. The central domed structure—as most people are aware—consists of an inner and an outer shell; like one tall, cylindrical drum within another. These are practically separate structures, bearing different weights, yet both resting on the great arches of the piers below.

The inner drum has to do most of the work, for besides its own weight and the weight of the solid inner dome—which are very considerable—it has to support the great brick cone, the stone lantern, and the outer lead-covered domed shell that we see from the street. The brick cone rests on the "hammocks" of the inner dome like a huge candle-extinguisher, and it mounts up to support the wooden strutting for the outer dome as well as the stone lantern, which alone weighs 700 tons. The outer drum has very little to do except take the weight of the slender row of columns

CHINESE & FOREIGN DRESS.

"Crazy About the Collar and Necktie."

A SUGGESTED TAX.

Peking, July 16. Chinese wearing foreign dress should pay a tax from 50 to 100 dollars a year, according to Mr. Wu Chao-kung's suggestion to the Shanghai municipal authorities. Mr. Wu likens Shanghai to London as the centre of styles for men, and points out that if the people in that port are restricted from the use of Western dress, millions of dollars will be saved every year from the buying of imported clothing materials. If the people like a short dress instead of the old long gown, why should they not adopt the popular Sun Yat-sen attire, which could be made of every sort of native material, asks Mr. Wu.

"The Shanghai Municipal Government," continues Mr. Chang, "has instructed the Kuomintang members and Government employees to boycott foreign dress and clothes made of imported materials. But not a few of them have turned a deaf ear to the order. It is therefore necessary to restrict the fad by taxation."

If prohibitive measures are not taken, our people will be so fond of foreign dress, foreign house, and foreign goods that native industries will suffer and the number of the unemployed will be increased. Formerly only a small number of compradors in treaty ports adorned themselves in western style. Later on students and merchants followed their example. It will soon come to pass that coolies, ricksha pullers, and farmers in backwood districts will be crazy about the collar and necktie."

Mr. Wu concludes by saying that the decline of native silk and cotton industries in recent years is due to the lack of support from the people as well as from the Government. He thinks that the time is ripe for the authorities to step in to check the spreading of the foreign dress. Although Mr. Wu's petition is submitted to the Shanghai Municipal Government, it has aroused much interest among the Chinese all over the country.—Kuo Wen.

STANDARD TIMES

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN COLONY.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for August (Standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich) are as follows:

August	Sunrise	Sunset
5	5.55	7.02
6	5.56	7.02
7	5.57	7.01
8	5.57	7.01
9	5.58	7.00
10	5.58	6.59
11	5.58	6.59
12	5.59	6.58
13	5.59	6.57
14	5.59	6.56
15	6.00	6.55
16	6.00	6.54
17	6.01	6.54
18	6.01	6.53
19	6.02	6.52
20	6.02	6.52
21	6.02	6.51
22	6.03	6.50
23	6.03	6.49
24	6.03	6.48
25	6.03	6.47

i.e., the peristyle which decorates the exterior.

Hulging Out Piers.

Consequently, as the inner and outer drums are practically separate, right down to the point where they both rest on the arches of the piers, the inner drum had thrown its weight on to the inner faces of the supporting piers, and had begun to settle down as an independent structure, taking the inner faces of the piers with it.

The frail integument between the two drums was already sheared through five years ago—when work was begun in earnest—and the inner faces of the piers had bulged out several inches.

But this was not the whole of the trouble. It was found that the piers in any case could not stand up to the weight imposed on them, for within the outer skin of Portland stone there was nothing but a filling of coarse rubble, which had become loosened by age and settlement.

However, the three chief operations carried out in this reconstruction were: the binding together of the inner and outer drums by means of 4-inch stainless steel bars, the strengthening of the masonry supporting piers by forcing in liquid cement under pressure, and the resisting of the outward thrust of the drums by extra chains of stainless steel.

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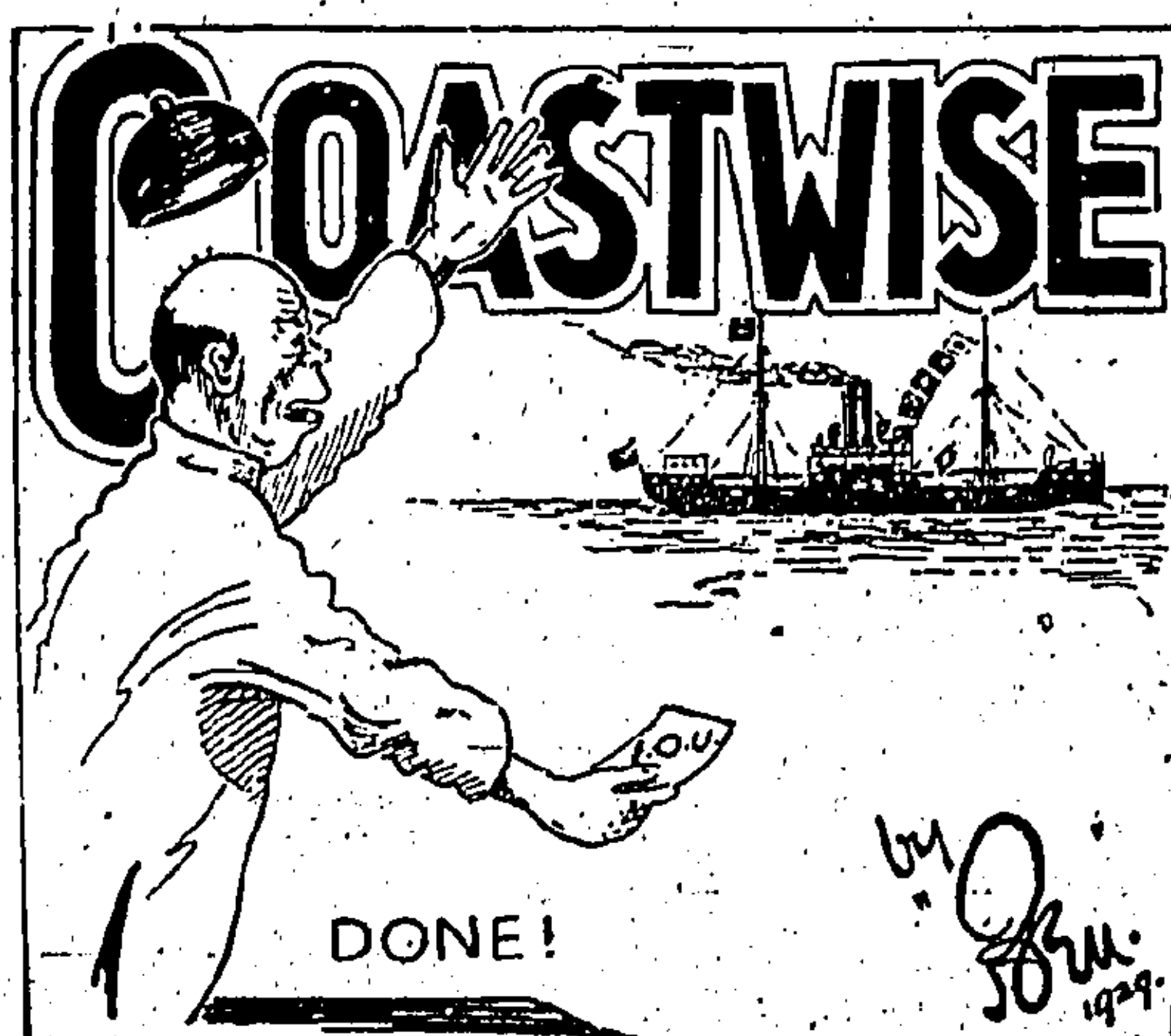
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RADIO TOPICS

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 300 metres—
6-8 p.m.—Chinese Recorded Programme.
8 p.m.—A Relay from the S.S. Empress of Japan of the Reception on the occasion of her Maiden Voyage.

At intervals during the Programme Dance Numbers will be broadcast from the Studio.
9 p.m.—Weather Report.
10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

AUSTRALIAN LOAN PURPOSES.

Federal Premier on Optimism.

Mr. Scullin, the Commonwealth Premier, speaking with regard to the Federal Internal Loan of £10,000,000, said that the money was wanted for the purpose of carrying out a programme of public works (says an Exchange Telegraph message from Canberra). The issue was made on June 16.

The loan's success was a matter of national importance. During the past year, overseas investors had shown unwarranted signs of nervousness regarding the security behind Australian loans, and nothing was more reassuring to them than evidence that Australians themselves had faith in their country and were prepared to rally to its aid in times of financial difficulty.

Australians, he said, would always meet their full obligations to creditors at home and abroad. The loan's success would restore confidence to overseas investors. The Melbourne Age states that Australia at present is in the trough of a troubled sea of experience dividing citizens more or less consciously into two main categories of optimists and pessimists.

"Numerically, the latter are fractional," it says, "but they are persistently vocal, and their opinions are invariably assessed at far more than their worth, because of a strange human tendency to associate pessimism with wisdom. The optimist is apt to be dismissed as short-sighted and shallow-minded. Of course, there is no justification for either form of appraisal. The Australian is, essentially an optimist."

"There is much to be said for the conscious effort now being made to foster an optimistic spirit. At the present moment that spirit is needed, and it is the obligation of every Australian citizen to cultivate it."

MYSTERY STATION.

LOCATED WITH DIRECTION FINDER.

Research is credited by federal agents with the discovery of an unlicensed radio station believed used by bootleggers to communicate with ships at sea.

Search for the illegal station was started four weeks ago when Wendell Patten, a coast guardman, picked up strange signals while listening in on the station radio set. Discovery of the station's location seemed an almost hopeless task, but June 6 federal agents raided an apparently vacant house in Brooklyn and found the station that investigators said would be there.

The device used was a direction finder, a small set with a loop antenna, a number of which had been set up in various parts of the city. Calculations were made on the basis of sound volume. After experimenting for several weeks, lines drawn on a map of Brooklyn and based on the sound volume crossed in front of 1759 Troy Avenue.

Although the direction finder said the station must be there, the federal men found an apparently vacant two-storey frame house, on the roof of which no radio wires could be seen. For several days, however, the agents lay in wait and noted that two men would sneak into the building each night before the signals started.

They finally raided the house and found a set carefully secreted, and an operator. While they were there another operator arrived. The antenna had been concealed in the attic and the short-wave sender in the cellar. The transmitter and tubes were hidden in a side wall of the house. The two men were held in \$7,500 bail each on charges of operating an unlicensed station. They gave their names as James Leo Pelley, 23, and Harry C. Willis, 42.

FOR THE WIRELESS ENTHUSIAST.

Its Use As A Detector.

THE PENTODE.

The Daily Express article was incorrect when credit was given to William P. Lear, of Chicago, regarding the use of a pentode as a detector. It can be considered as an innovation in America, but not in Britain. Although a pentode was primarily designed for the output stage many wireless experimenters, ever on the look-out for efficiency, devoted their attention to its use as a detector not only in Britain but also in Singapore as long ago as 1929. The higher amplification factor of a pentode when compared with any other valve naturally created interest in its use as a detector. Normally, the impedance appears to be very high but in actual working it is nowhere near that figure. When calculating output circuits its a.c. impedance should be taken as 5,000 and in the detection section not higher than 20,000.

To use it as a detector it is not even necessary to alter the circuit in any way except an extra lead to the high tension battery. Readers who are interested can try it without any difficulty. Just insert it in place of the usual detector valve. Connect a lead or wire to the extra element terminal at the side and put it to a 10 volt tapping on the H. T. battery. Reaction is very easy. A few volts more or less may make an improvement owing to varying factors but 10 is the average. This tapping alters the impedance of the pentode.

The first part of the article is true. The Loftin-White amplifier is really a new departure in amplifying circuits but only made possible by the introduction of alternating current operation. The first experiments were carried out in 1914. Although results were obtained the circuit proved unworkable in practice owing to uncontrollable grid bias as there was no grid return to filament and causing the valves to block.

In its present form it can be used in push-pull or parallel output circuits and I have every confidence that it will out all other systems of intervalve coupling. With one input valve the gain is so high that the output can be led in direct to 50 watt valve with no fear of distortion.

The first field that will be invaded is that of talking picture outfits. There will be no intervalve transformers or other coupling devices with their usual break-down faults. Distortion will be unknown and the usual cascade of valves will disappear.

Shortwave Problems.

Before shortwave receivers could come into popular use they must be made to operate with very nearly the same ease and convenience as a modern broadcast receiver. For the last few years greater interest was given to listening in to shortwave broadcasting and as more and more stations were erected the need is more than ever felt for an all mains receiver. It was necessary for such a receiver to hold its own against any of the battery-operated sets for general amateur and experimental reception. This is now possible since the introduction of A. C. valves and as is usual in the wireless industry practical types were introduced in the U.S.A. The result is very satisfactory and meets the requirements of the non-technical section of the public. An all-mains set requires practically no attention. In fact once it is installed the owner can forget it but when so inclined the pressure of a switch puts the set in operation and the only work necessary is to twiddle the knobs to bring in any station that may be transmitting at that time. There is, however, a little patience required as it takes a few days or evenings before one really gets into the fine art of tuning. The whole secret of full loudspeaker reception depends on the exact manipulation of the reaction condenser. Once understood it is simple.—Singapore Free Press.

WIRELESS "COUNTERWAVES."

Bolshevik propaganda through the Soviet's Moscow or Odessa wireless broadcasting is a nuisance in Roumania. It is, especially, directed to Bessarabia, and the Roumanian Government have decided to open a broadcasting station in Chisinau, in that region, to counteract it. The station will not merely broadcast counter-propaganda, but as it will have the same wave length as the Russian stations, it can prevent the Bolshevik transmissions from being heard.

STENODE RADIO CLAIMS.

Vision and Speech Over One Wave-Length.

Further claims of the possibilities of the invention of Dr. James Robinson, known as the Stenode Radiostat, are made in a report which the inventor and Mr. Percy Harris, assistant general manager, have just made to the proprietors of the British Radiostat Corporation, Limited.

It has already been stated that the application of the invention will revolutionise land-line telegraphy, and it is announced now that an apparatus has been constructed enabling the number of channels operated on land lines to be multiplied by a factor which is far in excess of the present requirements of the press.

Special research is also being carried on in connection with the application of the Stenode Radiostat system to television. It is well-known that a satisfactory service by television involves the simultaneous reception of pictures and sound. At the present time experimental transmissions of television are using two wavelengths, one for television signals and the other for sound.

When the Stenode Radiostat system is used it will be possible for both television and telephonic signals to be transmitted in the channel now exclusively used for the television signals. The Stenode Radiostat system, it is claimed, supplies the one thing lacking for a successful television service.

Demonstrations have been given to certain important German groups for whom apparatus is being manufactured for experimental operation in connection with the public broadcasting service in that country.

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"A MEAN ASSAULT."

MR. LLOYD GEORGE AND MR. BALDWIN.

London, June 28.
Mr. Lloyd George, the Liberal leader, addressing a Liberal garden party at Kensington, sneeringly replied to Mr. Baldwin's reference to the Liberal candidates. He described the attack as a wanton, unprovoked, mean and disgraceful assault on 500 honorable men and women.

[Mr. Baldwin, in the course of an attack on Lord Rothermere, controlling shareholder in the Daily Mail, and Lord Beaverbrook, controlling shareholder in the Daily Express, and founder of the Empire free trade movement, for their support of Conservatives, said—

"Mr. Lloyd George's candidates (Liberal) at the last election smelt. These will stink. We (the Conservatives) have been challenged. We have been told that the gloves are off. If they are, we will see who has dirty hands. I accept the challenge, as I accepted the T.U.C.'s, and I call the bluff."

"Coarse and Vulgar."

"Mr. Baldwin's language was not merely offensive, but coarse and vulgar in the extreme. When I read it I said to myself, I am not surprised. Mr. Baldwin always expressed a preference for the society of pigs," said Mr. Lloyd George.

"The trouble with Mr. Baldwin is that he is afflicted with an extraordinary, morbid self-complacency, inducing the belief that his criticisms are malignant, malodorous creatures unable to appreciate his sterling worth."

The truth was that there was no other public man less entitled to assume airs of superiority. The only two things Mr. Baldwin ever personally accomplished were the settlement of the American debt which committed Britain to £40,000,000 yearly for fifty years, without an effort to make Britain's own debtors pay, and the payment of a £23,000,000 subsidy to coalowners to put off the strike, which was not put off.

The same combination of newspaper proprietors which now offend Mr. Baldwin's delicate nostrils, made him Prime Minister in 1923-24.

Mr. Baldwin was sickle, inert, and resourceless except when his own position was challenged. His attack on the Liberals was one of

FINE BRICKWORK.

A BUILDING DEFICIENCY IN SINGAPORE.

In all the latest important buildings in Singapore, artificial stone has been used very successfully for facing, and although this method of treating the exterior of the building has resulted in a pleasing and dignified finish, we should like to see an example of fine brickwork as a set off and relief to the grey granite finish of our most modern business and public buildings, says the Singapore Architects Journal.

Brickwork so far as Singapore is concerned threatens to become a lost art, and we have grave doubts as to how many local architectural draughtsmen are capable of drawing an elevation of say six courses, and a plan of two or three alternate courses, in English Cross, Flemish, Yorkshire or Monk bond, and as to the Chinese so-called brick-layer (God save the name), who would be capable of building in such bonds, he is yet to be found.

The lack of proficient bricklayers is undoubtedly due to the universal and pernicious use of plaster and stucco, which is an invention of the Devil to encourage, by hiding their bad work, the lazy and incompetent workman. Possibly the scarcity of qualified architects in the early days of Singapore, also had a good deal to do with the matter, to say nothing of badly made and underburnt Chinese bricks, but those days are past, and it is possible to get in Singapore multi-coloured bricks equal to any produced in Britain or Holland. The clear atmosphere and brilliant sunshine of Singapore calls for splashes of colour here and there, so let us hope that the use of patterned brickwork may become more general in the near future.

the meanest things ever done by a great political leader.

Baldwin Attacks Rothermere. "That interesting nobleman, Lord Rothermere, has been saying that Britain is in for a period of revolution," said Mr. Baldwin, addressing Conservatives of Dorset. "If there is a revolution, Lord Rothermere will be the first man to go to the South of France."

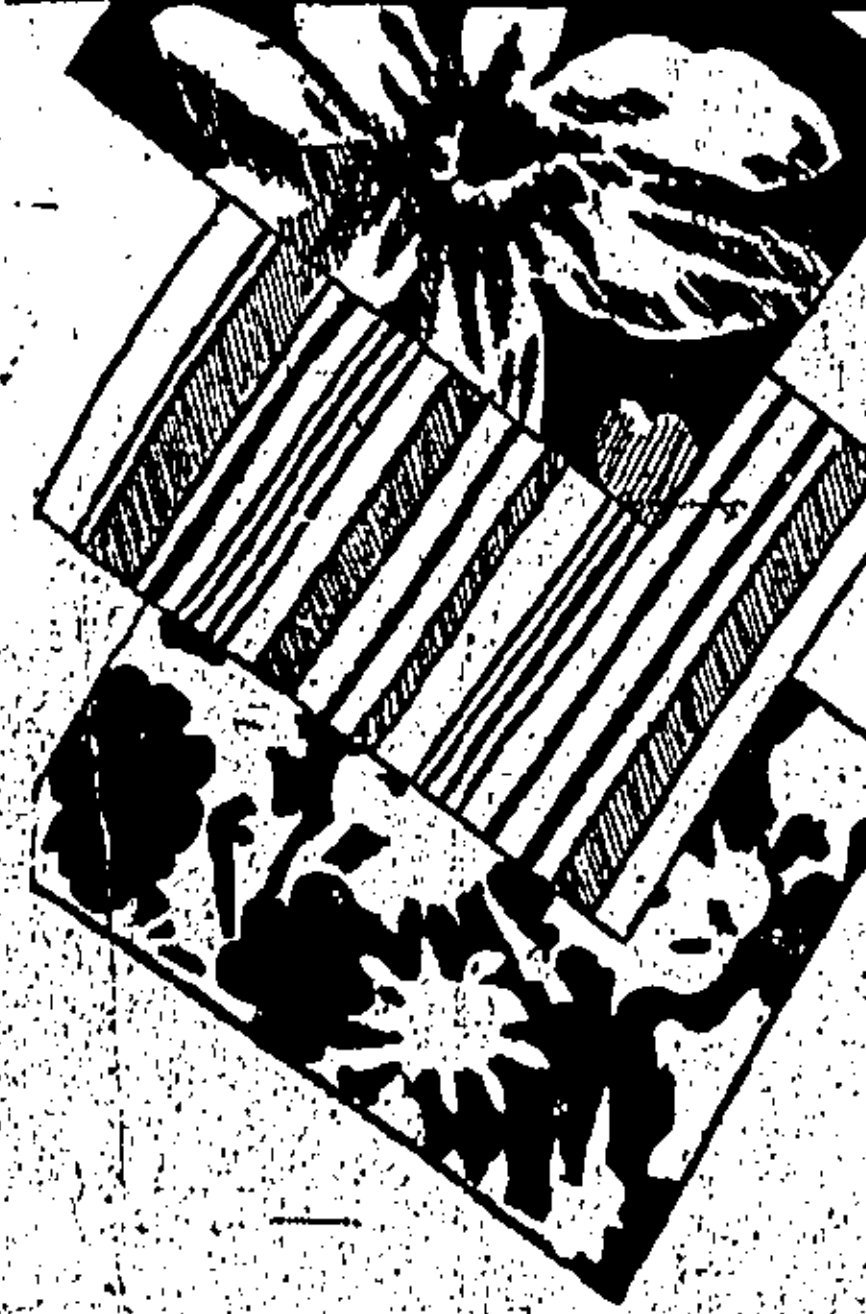
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WANG TO MEET YEN AND
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FIGHTING IN PROGRESS.

Peking, Yesterday.
Wang Ching-wei left Peking for Shihchiachwang last night, accompanied by other politicians.

After a meeting with Yen Hsi-shan, the party will proceed southwards for a conference with Feng Yu-shiang.

The Northerners are bitterly commenting on the fact that a large part of the force landed at Tsingtau are Hunanese, while Hunan is over-run by Communists.

The allies, however, are confident they can drive out the invaders, as they state that some of Han Fu-chu's troops have already joined them, and others have surrendered; while they claim that Liu Chen-nien has definitely thrown in his lot with the North and has sent troops who participated in the capture of Tsingchow and Weihien.

Fighting is reported to be going on between the Shansi forces and remnants of Han Fu-chu's troops at Changling.—Reuter.

REDS IN NORTH.

SAFETY OF A WOMAN
MISSIONARY.

ISLAND REOCCUPIED.

Changsha, Yesterday.
The China Inland Mission learns that Miss Gertrude Rugg is safe at Siangtan, which is about twenty miles south of Changsha.

Foreign reports state that General Ho Chien's troops of Changsha reoccupied the island on which the foreign settlement is situated and are preparing to cross to the native city.—Reuter.

[A message received when Changsha was occupied by Communists stated that Miss Rugg was cut-off in an adjacent village near Changsha and her fate had caused much anxiety to the missionary authorities.]

Making for Kiangsi.
Peking, Yesterday.
The Communists still have machine-gun nests in the northern part of Changsha, but the main body has moved eastwards and taken Liuyang, apparently making for Kiangsi rather than for Hankow.—Reuter.

ROUND EUROPE.

BRITON SURVIVES TECHNICAL
TESTS.

GERMAN SECOND.

Berlin, Yesterday.
Captain Broad (with a Gipsy Moth) is still ahead as a result of the technical tests hitherto completed in the round-Europe air race, with 319 points.

A German, Morzik (B.F.W.) who was last year's winner, is second with 318.

Poss (Klemm) is third with 317.

Capt. Broad obtained twenty-seven points in a test flight over 304 kilometres, in which competitors had to use the least petrol possible. He used 35.4 kilograms, compared with the Germans' 22.36 and 22.75 respectively, who were awarded the maximum thirty points.

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[Capt. Broad led in the actual race. He obtained full marks for speed.]

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